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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The government agent investigating the cotton boll weevil, says there is no probability that the pest ever will be exterminated. —— Wm. C. Whitney died yesterday at his home in New York city. —— The Russian fleet at Vladivostock has been fully equipped for immediate service. —— Great slump in the cotton futures market. —— Fire broke out in the cargo of the steamer Iroquois, on her voyage from New York to Charleston, S. C., but was brought under control in an hour. —— Mr. Clarke, the new Democratic senator from Arkansas, spoke in behalf of the Panama canal treaty. —— Colombian troops are reported fighting with Indians in Panamian territory. —— Russia's reply to Japan is in the hands of the Czar; Japan is growing impatient at the delay. —— Fear of war between Japan and Russia has killed the demand in China for cotton goods. —— A great fire was raging last night in the business section of Knoxville, Tenn.; Chattanooga has been called upon for assistance; two firemen reported killed. —— King Edward opened the British parliament yesterday. —— Schooner Lillie sunk in collision with British steamer Vendamore near Cape Henry. —— The Traders' National bank of Clarksburg, W. Va., has failed. —— The Panama treaty it is expected will be ratified about the middle of this month. —— New York markets: Money on call was easy at 1½@3 per cent.; cotton weak at 16.75c; flour was firm with a fair demand; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 94c; corn—spot strong, No. 2 55c; oats—spot firmer, No. 2 45c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 2.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 57 degrees; 8 P. M., 43 degrees; maximum, 49 degrees; minimum, 35 degrees; mean, 37 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of the month to date, .32 inches.

The stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. Monday was 5.5 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb 3.—For North Carolina: Fair Wednesday, colder in western portion and at night in east portion; Thursday fair; brisk west to northwest winds Wednesday.

Port Almanac—February 3.

Sun Rises	7.00 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.38 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 38 M.
High Water at Southport	9.06 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	11.36 P. M.

When the telephone wires get crossed a fellow has a hello of a time in talking, doesn't he?

A missionary in Africa took 575 pills last year. If the cannibals attempt to eat him we'll guarantee that they will throw him away for not being fit for a hyena to make a meal of.

A Virginia lady by the name of Bash is going to sue her husband for a divorce because he is always "full." She ought to have brought suit on the ground that her husband is too Bash-full.

The Atlanta *Journal* gloats over the fact that the two Salt Trusts are making alkaline remarks about each other. We hope they will rub in so well till they are so well cured that they can't spoil the people.

Secretary Shaw declares that "boys ought to come in contact with their fathers oftener." Perhaps if the boys will put a few bottles in the front window and hang out a red light the "guvners" might stumble in oftener by mistake.

Dr. William White, superintendent of the United States government hospital for the insane, has prepared a map showing the distribution of insanity throughout the United States. With the exception of the Rocky Mountain region, there is less insanity in the South than in any other part of the country. Southern delegates to the St. Louis convention in July must keep up that reputation.

A Richmond man swallowed laudanum and a paper says this about it: "Dr. Crump worked over the patient and succeeded after an hour or so in bringing him back from the Plutonian shore of eternity to the prosaic realities of the present." A man who will attempt to "shuffle off this mortal coil" and exchange this mundane sphere for the "bourne whence no traveler ere returns," ought to be ashamed of himself not to wait till after November 8th, when he can put in a vote against the Roosevelt peril.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Paris Millinery Emp'm—Clear'g sale
John M. Wright—Food, drink, tonic.
Stone & Co.—On the ground floor.
J. L. McLean & Co.—Bankers, N. Y.
S. W. Sanders—Everyth'g good to eat

BUSINESS LOCALS.

George Darden—Notice.
Good Board—At Virginia House.

50c Wash Silks only 39c; $1.50 warranted Taffeta Silk only $1.20 at Polvogt's this week. ‡

TO RESIST COMBINE.

Truck and Fruit Growers' Association Will Fight Crate Factory Amalgamation.

DIRECTORS MET YESTERDAY.

Resolution Offered by Dr. Porter and Unanimously Carried Provides for Thorough Investigation of Conditions—Another Meeting.

In order to take some action to combat the evil effects which are expected to follow the combination of practically all the crate factories in North Carolina, the Board of Directors of the East Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association met yesterday morning in the office of Secretary H. T. Bauman, in the Masonic Temple building, passed a resolution pledging the Association to use all honorable means to protect its members against conditions likely to injure their interests, and arranged for a committee of the Association to hold a conference with the officers of the crate factory amalgamation and report the result of their investigation to another meeting of Directors in Wilmington next Wednesday.

Twelve of the sixteen members of the Board of Directors were present yesterday, viz: Chairman W. L. Hill, of Warsaw, presiding; Secretary H. T. Bauman and Mr. W. E. Springer, of Wilmington; Messrs. J. B. Oliver and J. A. Westbrook, of Mount Olive; I. L. Faison, of Faison; B. F. Fussell, of Teachey's; J. H. Moore, of Burgaw, Dr. E. Porter, of Rocky Point; W. F. Leonhart and W. E. Thigpen, of Chadbourn, and H. L. Struthers, of Grists. The meeting was one of great zeal and the crate factory combination was discussed fully, after which Dr. Porter offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The object of this Association is to protect the growers and shippers of fruit and vegetables against all wrong or oppressions of corporations, combinations or trusts; and,

WHEREAS, The combination entered into by certain North Carolina manufacturers of berry crates and other packages used in shipping our said crop is likely to work a great hardship upon the small growers by creating a monopoly in handling their said crops; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the directors of the E. C. F. & T. Growers' Association, pledge ourselves and the Association to use all honorable means to protect the growers against all combinations likely to do them injury or retard the development of this important and growing industry;

Resolved, That a special committee of three be appointed to ascertain the facts of the combination of said manufacturers and make a special report of the facts and the probable results to this Board of Directors on the 10th instant, and we pledge the financial aid of this Association to correct any abuses likely to result therefrom.

The resolution was amended by Mr. I. L. Faison so that the Executive Committee composed of Messrs. W. L. Hill, W. E. Springer, J. A. Westbrook, W. E. Thigpen and J. S. Westbrook, and Business Agent H. T. Bauman, be named as the special committee under the last section of the resolution. It was then seconded and unanimously adopted. The special committee as named above will arrange for a conference with the crate factory combine officers at Warsaw, N. C., next Tuesday and will report to the directors on the following day at Wilmington. The officers of the crate factory organization are understood to be Mr. T. B. Peirce, of Warsaw, president; Mr. A. F. Johnson, of Clinton, vice president, and Mr. W. F. Newbury, of Magnolia, secretary.

LOCAL DOTS.

— George Stone, colored, drunk, was fined $10 and costs in the police court yesterday.

— A meeting of the Dorcas Society will be held Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

— As the A. C. L. passenger train was leaving Newbern yesterday morning a negro fell under one of the coaches and had both legs cut off.

— Saturday, Feb. 13th, has been decided as the date for the golf match between Wilmington and Charleston, on the green of the latter.

— Not a single cask of spirits turpentine, not a barrel of rosin and not a barrel of crude turpentine were received on the local naval store market yesterday. Only 22 barrels of tar came in.

— Following a sharp decline in New York futures, the local cotton market changed in tone from steady to dull at 15½ cents yesterday. Receipts, 830 bales against 644 same day last year.

— New York steamer "Carib" arrived yesterday, passing up from Southport, 9:25 A. M. Schooners "Emily F. Northam" and "Edward L. Stewart," hence for New York with cargoes, passed out to sea at noon yesterday.

— There will be a conference of the members of the First Baptist church to-night at 8:15 o'clock to receive a report from the pulpit committee relative to the calling of a pastor. Every member, male and female, is urged to be present.

— Savannah *News*: "Rumors have been current for the last several days that Capt. W. B. Denham, general superintendent of the Atlantic Coast Line, would resign, and the statement was even printed as a fact in Wilmington. Capt. Denham denies, however, that there is any truth in the story. He said it is probably a 'round house rumor.'"

THE NEWS FROM RALEIGH.

Aycock Discusses Dakota Bond Decision. A. C. L. Hearing Before Corporation Commission.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 31.—Governor Aycock said to-day regarding the result of the South Dakota bond case that until he receives the opinion and dissenting opinion of the United States Supreme Court he cannot determine what course this State will take. In the meantime he does not think it time to discuss the probabilities of compromise with Schafer for other outstanding bonds. The course that will eventually be taken will be based on a careful study of the entire situation. He says the opinion of the court was a great surprise to him and he thinks to the legal profession generally.

Junius Davis and J. H. Pou as counsel, W. N. Royall, general superintendent, and H. M. Emerson, general traffic manager of the Atlantic Coast Line, were before the Corporation Commission to-day; the counsel arguing in support of the exceptions filed by the company to the order of the Commission in the matter of the Selma connections with the Southern. Messrs. Royall and Emerson were examined as to conditions, the argument and evidence being to the effect that it is impossible to make the connection and the Commission has no authority to force the company to put on an extra passenger train. The Commission has the matter under advisement.

The "Anti-jug law" case of State vs. Patterson, from Durham, testing the right to ship liquor into any prohibition or dispensary territory in the State, is set for argument in the Supreme Court at the end of the calendar next week.

The Raleigh dispensary during January sold $11,550 worth of intoxicants, surpassing all expectations.

BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE.

No Official Notice of Opera House Plan of Lease, Therefore No Action.

Very little business, except the auditing of bills for current expenses, was transacted by the Board of Audit and Finance of the city at last night's regular semi-monthly meeting. All were present, except Mr. S. P. McNair. There were also in attendance upon the meeting City Attorney Bellamy, Aldermen Murrell and Moore and Fire Chief Schnibben.

The matter of affording better fire protection for the city in the saw mill district by the removal of one hydrant and the establishment of another, as recommended by the Board of Aldermen Monday night, was deferred. The same action was taken in regard to the extension of the water main on Nixon, from Fourth to Seventh street.

The award of the contract to John W. Gafford for transcribing the back tax books was approved. The award of the contract for the additional 1,000 feet of fire hose was likewise approved.

No action was taken on the proposed new plan of leasing the opera house, as no official report of the action of the Aldermen had been received in the clerk's communication from that body. The Board, however, appeared to be in favor of making the lease for five instead of three years. Alderman Murrell was present and read the proposed plan as drafted for him by City Attorney Bellamy. It provides that the lease be for five years and provides that immediately upon the execution of the lease, the lessee of the house shall proceed to make certain improvements under the direction and supervision of the Public Building Committee, among the improvements the installation of a heating plant, the ceiling of the house, a change in the proscenium arch and a different arrangement of the boxes, with a view of affording a more unobstructed view of the stage. The costs of such repairs are to be borne by the lessee and taken out of the yearly rents. The lessee is also required to insure the building and everything is to be left to the arbitrary command of the Public Building Committee or other authorized agent of the city.

Onslow County Case.

Judge Ferguson yesterday made known to counsel that he would dissolve the injunction recently granted by Judge Oliver H. Allen, closing the saloons of Jacksonville, N. C., where a prohibition election was carried under the Watts law after the saloons had been granted license to retail liquor for another term of six months. Without passing upon many technical points involved, he gave judgment for the defendants and let the plaintiffs go to the Supreme Court, where it will be heard the last of February. In the meantime the saloons remain open.

Mr. Vines Sworn In.

Mr. Thomas L. Vines yesterday received his commission from the Treasury Department and entered upon his duties as second deputy collector at the Custom House, succeeding Mr. Wm. Struthers, resigned. The salary is $1,400 per year.

— James Ferguson, colored, was arrested by Policeman Leon George for disorderly conduct yesterday afternoon at Front and Market streets. The negro had a pistol on his person and will be held for the additional charge of carrying a concealed "weepon."

112 pairs of solid leather shoes and slippers for children 5c per pair at Gaylord's Big Store. ‡

Were you in the rush at Polvogt's yesterday? They are having a silk sale. ‡

Have you read one of Gaylord's hand bills. They are bargain winners. ‡

ONE JUROR IS NEEDED

Another Special Venire Ordered for Resumption of Terry Trial This Afternoon.

SECOND 250 WAS EXHAUSTED.

Four of the Five Additional Ones Needed Chosen During Tedious Sessions Yesterday—Terry Will Testify in Own Behalf.—Other Notes.

All save one of the twelve men who will sit in judgment upon the life or death of S. Hill Terry, accused of the premeditated killing of his son-in-law, George Tate Bland, in this city last September, have been chosen. The four additional ones to the seven selected last Friday were chosen yesterday from the second special venire of two hundred and fifty, which was exhausted late in the afternoon before the twelfth man had passed the rigid examination required of those who would pass upon a matter of such vital importance as human life. In order that the twelfth juror may be selected without prejudice to either side, a third special venire of seventy-five was drawn by order of Judge Ferguson just before adjournment at 5:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon and they are now being summoned by the sheriff and his deputies to appear at 3 P. M. to-day. The taking of testimony will not begin before to-morrow morning but all witnesses have been notified to be present this afternoon upon the reconvening of court. No session will be held this morning.

The additional jurors selected yesterday are as follows:

James D. McClammy, ex-policeman, 511 South Seventh street.

Milton B. Kerr, truck farmer, Cape Fear township.

Hiram M. Millinor, laborer, 913 South Front street.

Walter S. Craig, farmer, Federal Point township.

TEDIOUS TASK BEGUN.

Court convened at 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning, the court room again crowded with veniremen, witnesses, officers, attorneys and spectators. Of the 250 special venire, ordered summoned, the sheriff returned 193 as found. One after another of the talesmen were then called and disqualified until 11 o'clock, when the State passed to the defence ex-Policeman McClammy and he was taken at once without examination. The dinner recess came at 1:30 o'clock with no further choice. Ninety-one of the venire had been called, one juror had been selected and the defence had exhausted four more of its peremptory challenges, making ten in all out of 23. The State had exhausted none, but had stood five at the foot of the panel, or in other words, had stood them aside with the expectation that a jury would be selected from the others before they were called.

The afternoon session opened at 3 o'clock with scant prospect of completing the jury from the remainder of the venire. The tedious calling and questioning had been resumed for half an hour when Mr. M. B. Kerr, after some little examination by the State, was taken by the defence. Forty-five minutes later, Mr. Millinor was chosen in the same way. He is a venerable looking gentleman and is an officer of the Front Street Second Advent church; said he had no religious scruples about capital punishment and had formed and expressed no opinion as to the guilt of the defendant. The remainder of the venire, except those who had been stood aside, was exhausted before another juror was selected. Those called up from the foot of the panel were C. W. Edens, Walter S. Craig, C. M. Kelly, Jno. W. Humphrey, Isadore Bear, Z. B. Ennett and Capt. W. L. Harlow. Those names were put in a hat and drawn again. Z. B. Ennett had not paid tax and was challenged by the defence; Capt. Harlow was not a free-holder and was challenged by defence; W. S. Craig, of Federal Point, was tendered by the State and accepted at 5 o'clock after slight examination by the defence. The defence admitted cause of challenge of Isadore Bear, C. M. Kelly and Jno. W. Humphrey; C. W. Edens was not a free holder and the necessity of another venire was announced.

The State had exhausted one peremptory on J. L. Hawkins and the defence six on T. L. Ramsey, Z. E. Murrell, R. F. Hamme, W. F. Kerr, D. S. Reville and G. R. Smith. Six others had been previously, but the defence has eleven left and only one juror to select. The State has three left with the right to stand at the foot of the panel ten per cent. of the venire of seventy-five.

DISQUALIFICATION OF JURORS.

As on Friday the greatest number of challenges was on account of the veniremen not being free holders. In addition to the challenges the following were excused by the court upon physician's certificates, on account of military or fire service, etc. W. L. Beery, W. L. Parsley, Geo. A. Peterson, R. A. Biddle, D. N. Chadwick, Wm. B. Thorpe, J. F. Rulfs, Jr., Hosea Shepard, W. H. Sharp, M. B. Mintz, J. V. Grainger, I. W. Cooper, G. W. Brunson, W. B. Cooper, Jordan Branch, Jr. Joe P. King, Paul P. Murphy, Michael Griffin, H. F. Canady, G. W. Duncan, Wm. G. Hill, J. H. Hewlett, R. J. Jones, John L. Grafiin, W. H. Brown, Thomas R. Orrell, S. Behrends, L. B. Rogers, J. A. Karr, R. M. Capps, S. Jewett, J. W. Knowles, J. F. Woolvin. Mr. Knowles was connected by marriage with the deceased, and Mr. Woolvin, as an undertaker, was exempt by law. W. F. Carpenter had made affidavit to prevent removal of the case.

Of the 193 summoned, 91 were challenged for cause by the defence; 83 for cause by the State; 37 were excused by consent of counsel or by the court for valid reasons; 6 were challenged peremptorily by the defence and one by the State. Of the challenges for cause, 66 were on account of talesmen not being freeholders; cause was admitted in a large number of others and nine had formed and expressed an opinion that the defendant was guilty. The State tried to qualify the nine by asking if they could not disregard what they had heard and read in the papers and give Terry a fair and an impartial trial according to the evidence adduced in court, but upon their answers Judge Ferguson ruled that they were not competent. The nine were R. D. Tucker, Moses Horne, C. R. Pope, J. B. Elkins, J. E. Sharp, Anson Alligood, A. E. Blake, E. V. McKenzie and J. R. Canady. Messrs. F. A. Price and J. L. Rogers expressed themselves opposed to capital punishment and were challenged by the State.

TO-DAY'S VENIRE.

A number of those drawn on the venire for to-day are from the country. The list was very carefully examined by the attorneys yesterday afternoon and the qualification and disqualification of each man noted. Among the number drawn are County Treasurer Green, Superintendent of Schools Blair and several lesser county employes.

JURORS ALREADY SELECTED.

The monotony for the seven jurors drawn last Friday was broken by the accessions to their ranks yesterday. Judge Ferguson expressed regret yesterday that it was necessary to make another delay but court officials were instructed to do everything possible for the comfort of the "shut-ins."

TERRY WILL TESTIFY.

It was stated yesterday by his counsel that Terry would go upon the stand some time during the trial and tell his own story of the killing. The prisoner looked a little haggard yesterday but otherwise manifested his usual weird interest in the proceedings. All his counsel were present except ex-Governor Russell.

EXPENSE OF THE TRIAL.

The trial of Terry will cost the county thousands and thousands of dollars before it is completed. Each venireman represents a cost of about fifty cents; the selected jurors draw $1.50 per day and the witnesses, more than a hundred in number, receive $1 per day in any event. Then there are other court expenses which will run the bill of costs to an enormous sum.

DISCONTINUANCE OF STATIONS.

Letter from Interior Which Shows Utter Disregard of People's Interests.

The arbitrary discontinuance of several flag stations on the Seaboard Air Line, between Wilmington and Hamlet, is still causing much adverse criticism among business men in this city and along the route where people are most vitally affected. The aid of the Corporation Commission has been invoked in an effort to have the discontinued stations restored, but in the meantime the people are suffering and that, too, most seriously, as will appear from the following letter received by a prominent citizen of Wilmington from an intelligent trucker at a point, the identity of which is not disclosed for obvious reasons:

"You will do me great service if you will give me a little information. Among other flag stations, —— has been annulled as a stop for local freights. It lies on a knoll between two swamps which cut us off from the stations on either side by wagon road except by making a long detour to reach the fords, making a journey of three to four miles necessary to reach either point, and when the swamps are full we can't get through at all. If I cannot get the freight stop restored, it is going to embarrass my business so much that I will have to close up and look for another location. This is a great hardship to contemplate after the money and labor I have expended on this place and the privations and self denial I have not only endured myself, but worse still, entailed on my family, in the effort to establish ——. Until this thing happened I could see daylight ahead and a reward for our patience and perseverance. Can you tell me why the management has annulled these stations? I wrote to Mr. —— some time ago—nearly one month—but have had no reply, and it has gotten so that I am reluctant to write to any of the officials on any subject, for the chances are I will receive a rude, insolent reply from some cheap pin-head clerk. Do you think it would be any use to write Mr. —— about the freight stop?

"On freight shipped and received here in 1903, I paid considerably over $100.00. This year three of my neighbors had arranged to plant truck crops, but they say now that they will not do it and haul the produce to ——, or perhaps have a perishable product on hand when the ford cannot be passed. Please let me have the benefit of your advice as to what I can do with most effect. I especially wish to know what the reason was for annulling the freight stop so I can combat the position taken."

Maj. Robertson Took Command.

Maj. Wm. F. Robertson, who was recently unanimously elected captain of the Wilmington Light Infantry, took formal command of the company last night at the regular drill. The newly elected captain was presented by First Lieutenant Geo. P. James just as the company formed on the drill grounds, and the commander was received with much enthusiasm by the infantrymen. Maj. Robertson responded in a graceful little speech accepting the honor conferred upon him and pledging his heartiest support to everything for the interest of the W. L. I.

85c quality Taffeita Silk 69c; Fancy $1.00 Silks only 67c this week at Polvogt's. ‡

FRIENDS OF SEAMEN.

Fifty-first Annual Meeting of Society at Wilmington Held Yesterday Afternoon.

THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Various Annual Reports Showed Great Work Accomplished During Year. Committees Named for 1904. Rev. Stitt's Death.

The 51st annual meeting of the Seamen's Friend Society was held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Col. W. J. Woodward was called to the chair and Mr. J. Hunter Wood was requested to act as secretary. Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure opened the proceedings with prayer, after which the annual reports were read and ordered on file.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

The semi-centennial year of our society has closed. Our work has been inspiring and with what success time only will reveal. We meet together, on this our fifty-first anniversary, to receive reports of our officers, to renew friendships, to exchange experiences and to learn how to take another step forward in the progress of our work with sailors. The work of the past year may cause a spirit of calm and peace to steal over us, lulling to rest and satisfaction. Let us not yield to pleasant lethargy; let us remember that contemplation and communion which do not lead to action have no force, and let this meeting be remembered not for what may here be said, but for the results which may follow. The traditions of the mother Society of the Seamen's Friend Society influence us to a great degree in our work in this society. It is next to an impossibility for an onlooker who does not understand our conditions, to form a just opinion of our work for social betterment. Our problems here as in other seaport cities are great and oftentimes seem beyond any solution. We have moments of despair when we feel our work is not progressing, and are unwilling and sometimes unable to realize that all systems are a mixture of good and evil. But fortunately, over against all our discouragements we have an altruism, a sense of responsibility, in our municipality, in our relief societies, in our churches and among our citizens that is deep and abiding and based on the firm middle ground, between pure academic economies and soft philantrophy. Our work is full of hopefulness, for it has to do with persons from all parts of the globe, where well directed efforts are sure of reward. It offers an unlimited field of pleasant and profitable employment to all those who realize the possibilities of good in the saving and reclamation of unfortunate sailors, and it means to our community relief from the burden of criminality that is the sure outcome of indifferences towards neglected seamen. A noted sailor who was spending his life in evil and idleness was suddenly changed into a sober and industrious man at a Seamen's Bethel meeting in England. When asked by his acquaintances the cause of his remarkable change, he replied, referring to Lord Shaftsbury: "He just put his hand on my shoulder and said, 'Jack, we'll make a man of you yet.'" Back of those few words was the earnest yearning after a lost soul and the magnetism of sincerity that rarely fails, and as a result the whole current of a life was changed. With the same spirit animating us in our efforts failure need never be feared, and many a sailor will be changed into careers of usefulness and honor.

OTHER REPORTS SUBMITTED.

The Treasurer, Committee on Rentals and Repairs and Committee on Public Worship submitted their reports, which were approved and ordered filed.

Mr. H. G. Christoffersen, the librarian, submitted his annual report in detail, showing that the reading room had been visited during the year by 6,728 seamen and 653 citizens, making a total of 7,380. Reading room open daily from 9 A. M. to 10 P. M.

The committee on reading room and library, Mr. J. W. Price, chairman, reported that the janitor had been faithful in keeping the rooms well aired and heated during the year; also that the interest of the sailors had been unabated, large numbers having availed themselves of the opportunity offered for relaxation and enjoyment in the rooms. A daily record of the number of visitors, showed increasing usefulness of the society in its admirable work of interesting seafaring men.

Mr. James Sprunt formally announced, with expressions of sorrow at the great personal loss, the sudden death on Saturday, January 2nd, 1904, of the Rev. William C. Stitt, for many years Secretary of the American Seamen's Friend Society in New York, through whose kind interest in the cause of the Wilmington society it had been favored with steadfast pecuniary support of the parent association in ministerial work.

Dr. Stitt was born in Philadelphia, April 23d, 1833, and was educated at Princeton University. His consecrated life in the service of the Master, especially in the cause of the Seamen's Friend Society, has borne much fruit, and it was ordered that a memorial page upon the Society's book of record be set apart for an inscription of his birth and death and of his service in the cause of American seamen.

OTHER REPORTS SUBMITTED.

The following were elected trustees to serve the ensuing year: Mr. James Sprunt, Gen. James I. Metts, Col. W. J. Woodward, Rev. R. W. Hogue, Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., T. E. Sprunt, James McDougall, N. Jacobi, James Price, Rev. A. McCullen, Rev. J. Carmichael, D. D., Capt. E. D. Williams, Swift Empie, Esq., Capt. Walter G. MacRae, Mr. D. L. Gore, Mr. J. C. Stewart and Rev. N. M. Watson.

Meeting of Trustees.

After the annual meeting, the Board of Trustees met, with Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., in the chair and Col. W. J. Woodward, secretary. The thanks of the Society were given to the Seamen's Friend Society of New York, for continued support; also to the Wilmington daily papers for their favors. Col. W. J. Woodard was re-elected president; Mr. James Price, vice president, and Mr. J. Hunter Wood, secretary and treasurer. Rev. Dr. McClure, Gen. James I. Metts and Mr. James Sprunt were elected to constitute the executive committee with the president, vice president and secretary. The following committees were appointed:

Rentals and Repairs—James I Metts, T. E. Sprunt and W. G. MacRae.

Public Worship—W. J. Woodward, J. I. Metts and James McDougall.

Reading Rooms and Hours—James Price, James Sprunt, E. D. Williams.

Auditing—N. Jacobi and James McDougall.

Building Committee—The Executive Committee.

Mr. H. G. Christoffersen was reappointed as superintendent of the home and reading room.

The nomination of Miss Anna Sprunt and Miss Carrie White as organist and soprano was approved.

The committee on Rentals and Repairs were directed to erect fire escapes as prescribed by the Fire Commission, and also to make other improvements to the building.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. O. I. Floyd, of Ashpole, N. C., was here yesterday.

— Mr. J. S. Williams, of Leland, N. C., was here yesterday.

— Miss Jenkins, of Richmond, is the guest of Miss Anita DeRosset.

— Mr. Fred R. Mintz is in the city on his way to Mount Olive.

— Mr. J. B. Oliver, of Mt. Olive, paid the STAR a pleasant call yesterday afternoon.

— Rev. Wesley Thompson and Mr. N. T. Andrews, of Raynham, N. C., are in the city on business trips.

— H. L. Lyon, Esq., of Whiteville, was here yesterday, returning from a professional trip to Southport.

— Messrs. Neil Emerson and H. M. Emerson, Jr., are at home from the Boston Tech. and the University of North Carolina to spend a few days.

— Sanford *Express*: "Mr. Ralph Sheppard, who has for some time made his home in the city of Wilmington, came up last week, and will take a vacation from his work by spending a few months on his father's farm at Broadway."

CLEARING SALE!

Ladies' Hats, Shirt Waists, Cloaks and Skirts

WILL GO AT COST FOR THE NEXT TEN DAYS.

If you want bargains be sure to call, and I would like to have the country merchants to call and see my line of

Summer Hats for Wholesale.

I have made great preparation for the wholesale business this Spring. Have some great bargains in stylish Hats, Ribbons, Waists, Skirts and other goods. The merchant can easily over double his money on anything I would sell him.

PARIS MILLINERY EMPORIUM,

129 Market St., Wilmington, N. C.,
feb 3 tf Next to Bonitz Hotel.

Food, Drink, Tonic.

The Three Combined in One

Darley Park Brewery

EXTRA

Pale Beer.

A STRICTLY MALT AND HOP PRODUCT.

Family Trade Supplied in Bottles.

John M. Wright,

DISTRIBUTING AGENT,
feb 3 4t 319 Nutt Street.

Special Sale

—OF—

LADIES' MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

—AT—

Platt & Haar,

Agents for Peerless Patterns—5, 10, 15 cents.
jan 23 tf we sa 114 Market Street.

Time Is Money.

If you want China and Glassware go to a China and Glassware store. Don't waste your time running around to every shop that has a few pieces of old stock and odds and ends to show you. Get something new and up-to-date.

New goods arriving every week in American and Imported Toilet Sets and dinnerware. Stock patterns that you cannot duplicate at any time.

SEE BISSINGER, THE CHINA MAN,

119 Market Street.
Wholesale and Retail. feb 2 tf

Folding Bed!

For sale a double Folding Bed of Finest Quality, with Springs and Mattress. Everything as good as new. Will be sold for half its value. Has a large Mirror, and when folded is a handsome piece of furniture.

For further information apply at the

Star Office.

no 28 1w

On The Ground Floor.

Cotton Seed Meal bought before recent advance.
Cotton Seed Hulls.
One car load Santa Claus.
Soap and Gold Dust Washing Powder,
One car load cracked Corn.
Four car loads Virginia Meal.
Three car loads Corn (2 bus. bags.)
One car load Oats.
These goods bought before recent advance and would pay you to communicate with us before placing orders elsewhere.

STONE & COMPANY

feb 3 tf Wholesale Grocers.

Everything Good to Eat

—AT—

The Unlucky Corner,

and prices right.
We run five delivery wagons and deliver promptly.

S. W. SANDERS.

Phone 109. feb 3 tf

Tax Notice.

Am now attaching wages and after February 1st will begin to levy on Personal Property to satisfy unpaid City Taxes for 1903.

Pay now and avoid costs and annoyance.

E. F. KING,
jan 24 8t City Tax Collector.

The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEB. 3.

'TWOULD BURN THEIR FINGERS

The press of the United States is now claiming the credit of having aroused such a popular protest as to defeat the double mileage graft which it was supposed that Congress would vote itself when the urgency deficiency appropriation bill would come up.

The STAR has already mentioned that the extra mileage appropriation was stricken out. In the bill was an item of $145,000 to pay mileage to Congressman for attending the extra session of Congress, in addition to a similar amount for mileage for attending the regular session. The fact was, however, that when the extra session was ended the members remained in their seats and opened the regular session. They were, therefore, entitled to only one mileage, notwithstanding any technical or parliamentary point of distinction that may have been made as between the extra session and the regular session. It was plain that so far as the attendance of members of Congress was concerned, it was a continuous session and no member went home after the extra session and returned again to the regular session.

It was our old friend Congressman Tom Maddox, of Georgia, who moved to strike out that iniquitous appropriation, and in speaking of it the Atlanta *Journal* says:

"It was hard to believe that members of so lofty a body as the Congress of the United States should conceive and practice so wretched a piece of thimblerigggery as to vote themselves mileage for journeys not only imaginary but impossible—mileage from five to ten times in excess of the actual railway fare. It is harder yet to believe that a President of the United States should countenance such a 'recess,' with its palpable graft; using this 'recess' as a technical funnel for the reprojecting of General Wood and Dr. Crum down the throat of the American people."

The mileage ranges from $10 to to $1,500 for each member of Congress, and $2,315 for the delegate from Hawaii. The members are allowed 20 cents a mile, and the New York *Herald* remarks that it is just as well that we have not yet any delegates from the Philippines to draw 20 cents for each of the 20,000 miles involved in a trip to Washington and return.

It may turn out that the praisworthy action of both the Democrats and Republicans in overwhelmingly striking out this mileage grab, will put a quietus on Roosevelt's "constructive recess," which the President stands for in order to again send in the nominations of Gen. Wood as Major General and the negro Dr. Crum as collector of the port at Charleston. The action of Congress in refusing to vote mileage construes the extra and regular session as one continuous session, and certainly it must considerably hamper Roosevelt's assumption of a "constructive recess." At any rate it would seem to strengthen Senator Tillman's resolution, which has for its object to knock out Roosevelt's "constructive recess" and upset his Wood and Crum nominations.

PROFITABLE HOME INSURANCE.

We have often wondered, if insurance companies in other States could come into North Carolina and do a profitable business, why it is that companies do not organize through the State to do an insurance business and thus keep at home the money that flows in a stream out of North Carolina. Col. Walker Taylor, the well known Wilmington fire underwriter, tells us that the premiums in North Carolina for a year are $2,000.000 and when it is realized that only about 20 per cent of this business is done by North Carolina insurance companies, it will be seen what a splendid field is open to companies that ought to be organized by capitalists in the various cities and towns of the Old North State.

That home insurance is a profitable investment we take from yesterday's Raleigh *News and Observer* the following paragraph of a letter sent out from Greensboro:

"The Greensboro fire insurance companies in seven hours after the adjusters had agreed upon the amount of loss due by the different companies on the Normal and Industrial College fire, sent their proportionate part of the amount, $15,523.50, to Dr. McIver, to be forwarded to the State Treasurer. An idea of the volume of business done by these home companies can be gained from a recent statement of Mr. A. W. McAlister, the manager, showing that since the establishment of the first one nine years ago, they have paid out on losses $325,987 and have taken in on premiums $714,672. The business has increased until now the premium receipts are $300,000 per annum and the surplus to policy holders last year was increased from $423,458 to $504,061."

Referring to the above the *News and Observer* says editorially:

Every once in a while we are told, particularly after a big fire, that the fire insurance companies do not make any money. The figures given in our Greensboro letter to-day shows that fire insurance is a paying business. The North Carolina companies at Greensboro, of which Mr. A. W. McAlister is manager, have been doing business nine years. In that time they have taken in as premiums $714,672 and have paid out in losses $325,987, leaving a profit, less expenses, of $388,685. That is a very fine showing; speaks volumes for the conservative management of these North Carolina companies, and shows that there is money in fire insurance.

GOING OUT BETWEEN ACTS.

Every day we see the liberties of men being hedged about or taken away. The fellow who goes out between the acts at the theatre may as well prepare to see his finish.

Some people have now started a movement to let down the "asbestos curtain" between "morally stunted" theatre-goers and the scornful ones who do not wish to be disturbed. Men who go out between the acts are to be cut out even if a separate space has to be allotted them.

The mayor of Newport News, where "grafting" is yet considered beneath the notice of a gentleman, is going to have a theatre on this new plan. Says the *Times-Herald* of that live Virginia city:

"Mayor Moss is still contemplating new ideas for his proposed theatre. His Honor is a lover of a good show and dislikes interruption even between the acts. Patrons who insist on going out between the acts for a drink or a smoke not only annoy the chief magistrate, but ladies who occupy seats near the end of the row.

"When my new play house is completed, I intend to set apart a portion of it for people who cannot sit through the performance," said the mayor today. "There is nothing more annoying to me than to have some person continually leaving his seat. I have been compelled to get up as many as five times during a performance. I have seen men near the end of a row make a dozen ladies stand up to let them pass. It is not right. It is for that reason that I always get center instead of an end seat."

The Newport News mayor evidently has reason to kick when it comes to making way five times for a walking demijohn to pass out. A fellow with a tank on him like that ought to be railed off where his breath won't catch fire in the event that the "asbestos curtain" fails to act.

Probably the Hon. Fab Busbee believes more than ever that it surely is the Raleigh *Nuisance and Disturber*. At Goldsboro on Monday he asked the court to continue a $25,000 damage case against the Southern Railway because an article in last Sunday's *News and Observer* referred to the accident as "a rotten tie wreck" and would prejudice the cause, as he alleged. Judge George H. Brown very properly refused to continue the case for the reason that the mere "publication of an account of a wreck was not going to control the people of Wayne county." Mr. Busbee, however, got a continuance till Aprill 18th, because of the absence of a "material witness."

The announcement has been made that Japan is ready for war, and Russia says she is "ready's brother." Russia wants Japan to strike the first lick, and then we'll see which will get a licking. It looks like it will take something of that nature to put an end to Russia's and Japan's chewing the rag.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The United States is for peace in the Far East, and the United States is just about the only great nation that will not get a piece when the final division comes.—*Atlanta Journal.*

—— The Old North State will never retrograde as long as she continues to establish free rural libraries—she has just granted fifteen more applications for them.—*Norfolk Public Ledger.*

—— Since the impossible has surrendered one stronghold after another, and men are looking through planks and talking seriously of photographing each other's thought's it is not strange that scientific men should have succeeded in penetrating the inky depths of the sea with magic glasses. This amazing feat has been recently accomplished by Cavaliero Pino, an Italian engineer. Signor Pino calls his instrument the hydroscope. To outward appearance it is a long tube, fitted with glasses and electrical apparatus. He combines a clever optical device with an improved lamp, which enables him to peer into the ocean depths and take an accurate photograph of the sea's bottom at any point. Objects that have lain buried for thousands of years have been brought to the surface with the aid of Pino's hydroscope. Among them are several art treasures of great value, including the head of a Greek statue belonging to a remote epoch. It is believed that the hydroscope will prove a very profitable instrument. Already Signor Pino has entered into a contract with the Greek government to recover all the sunken treasure of every kind that he can find on the coast of Greece. The contract fixes his compensation at an enormous sum.—*Atlanta Journal.*

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Haggins, of Melbourne, Fla., writes: "My doctor told me I had consumption, and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery, and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all Throat and Lung diseases by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

For Over Sixty Years

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over sixty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, soften the gums, and allays all pain; cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup and take no other kind.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

THE DAUGHTER OF PROF. RENO OF ELWOOD, IND.,

RESTORED TO HEALTH BY VINOL

Mrs. Reno's Letter and Advice to Mothers, Published by Request of Mr. Bellamy.

Mrs. Reno says: "Our daughter, Marion was troubled with indigestion; she became fretful, could not sleep at night, lost flesh, and we feared that we should lose her. We tried different doctors, and many kinds of medicines, with no apparent success, until we tried Vinol. Two bottles cured our little daughter; she can eat anything, sleeps well and has gained flesh. We think it is the best medicine in the world for children. I advise every mother who has an ailing child to try Vinol. I know nothing equals it, and it tastes so good there is no trouble in getting children to take it."

A reporter of the STAR asked Mr. Bellamy, of this city, who is selling so much Vinol, regarding it. Mr. Bellamy assured the writer that this is only one of a great many such cases that are constantly coming to his attention where Vinol has actually saved the

MARION RENO.

lives of children when all else had failed.

"You know, of course," said Mr. Bellamy, "Vinol is not a patent medicine, and it contains all the medicinal, curative elements of cod liver oil, without the nauseating oil; it is delicious to take, and will make rich, pure, red blood, sound flesh, and muscle tissue, and create strength and health more surely and quickly than anything we have ever sold in our store.

"In the strongest manner we unhesitatingly indorse and guarantee Vinol to increase the appetite, cure stomach troubles, give strength and renewed vitality to the aged, build up the run down, tired and debilitated, make the weak strong, cure chronic coughs, colds and build up the convalescent, or will return to the purchaser every dollar paid for it. I just wish every mother in Wilmington who has a sick, puny or ailing child would try Vinol on our guarantee."

Robt. R Bellamy, Druggist.

— Mabel—Why didn't you scream when he put his arms around you? Ethel—I wanted to, but couldn't, and when I could I didn't want to.—*Butte Inter Mountain.*

— Sappho was explaining her success. "You see," she said, "I was the first sweet young thing who didn't tie her manuscript with blue ribbon." Excusing herself, she turned to give the Athens Yeller an interview on "How It Feels to be a Poetess."

— Percy: So Miss Rose paid you a compliment? Harry: Yes, indeed. Why, she called me the same name as a great opera. Percy: What was it? Harry: I don't know the translation, but she called me "Parsifal."—*Chicago News.*

—Tourist—I see by the formation of this country you have very little soil here for farming. Gila Pete—Waal, pardner, you're right. Dirt is so skase hereabouts that the ladies can't get grounds fur divorce.—*Butte Inter Mountain.*

— Cleopatra dissolved the pearl in vinegar. "What a costly banquet!" cried Antony. "Yes," replied the Lily of the Nile, "and the jewel in the kitchen is going, too!" Scarcely daring to eat, he sat in amazement at the awful price that she had paid.

— Calpurnia nudged her sleeping spouse. "Julius," she whispered, "I suspect there is a man in the house." "Nonsense," he answered; "Cæsar's wife should be above suspicion!" Pulling the bedclothes over his head, Julius feigned a heavy slumber.—*New York Sun.*

—"In the event of war in the Far East," said the newspaper publisher, "I shall install some extra strong typesetting machines." "Wouldn't the ordinary kind do?" asked the friend. "No. The names of the Russian generals would soon twist them up."—*Chicago News.*

CHEERLESS OUTLOOK

How the future was brightened for a well known Wilmington man.

With an aching back that makes the daily toil a torture, and that robs sleep of its restful properties, the future holds out little promise to a man, no matter how successful he may be in business. To such a sufferer relief comes like the dawn of the Arctic day. A Wilmington business man who found relief of this sort tells his story of his case.

A. V. Horrell, proprietor of restaurant at 504 South Fourth street, says: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills and they did me a lot of good. I have been a great sufferer with backache, which I supposed to be rheumatism, and used all the rheumatic cures I could get hold of. I was completely laid up with it and could scarcely get around, to do any work was simply out of the question. My sister, reading about Doan's Kidney Pills and knowing how I suffered, went to Bellamy's drug store and got me a box. They acted like a charm. My backache or rheumatism, whatever it was, has entirely left me, and I give all the credit to the use of Doan's Kidney Pills."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. C., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no substitute.

Dr. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION FOR WEAK WOMEN.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining Uncalled For in the Wilmington Postoffice, Feb. 2nd, 1904

WOMEN'S LIST.

Narcissa Atkinson (2), Mrs. H. M. Bell, Annie Bynum, Sarah Griffin, Julian Hall, Carie Lie Hampton, Mary Jeems, Lizzie Leslie, Mrs. B. C. Love, Jeanes McLary, Henke Mantel, Bettie Manning, Hannah Michell, Martha Proda, Elizabeth Sikes, Mary Jane Smith, D. A. Ward.

MEN'S LIST.

James Arthur, Wash Bannerman, Howard Bantum, J. W. Balding, Jons Broks, J. B. Burton, I. R. Burr, J. H. Bynum, James L. Cobb (3), Charlie Cook, Wallace Dawson, Cary Farrish, James Glaspie, A. Hewlen (2), Mr. Hobbs, Nathan C. Hoyt, Harry G. Jacklin, A. A. Knight, E. D. Laryeb, D. N. Long, Artheo McCall, M. C. Mighton, Allen B. More, W. C. Oakes, Chas. A. Peters, James T. Pridgen, J. H. Richardson, J. Calvin Ridgel, James Sykes, Jacob Tindle, Nathan Timons, Frank Valasques, A. P. Weaver, Ned Williams, G. L. Horn and I. W. Davis.

One cent due is charged on letters advertised.

Letters to strangers or transient visitors to a town or city, whose special address may be unknown, should be marked in the lower left-hand corner with the word "Transient."

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in fifteen days they will be sent to the dead letter office. M. C. DARBY, Postmaster.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 2.—Cotton: Spot, in limited demand; prices four points higher; American middling fair 9.22d; good middling 9.06d; middling 8.96d; low middling 8.90d; good ordinary 8.80d; ordinary 8.60d. The sales of the day were 3,000 bales, of which 300 bales were for speculation and export and included 2,400 bales American. Receipts 6,000 bales, including 4,000 bales American.

Futures opened quiet and closed easy; American middling (g o c): February 8.61d; February and March 8.61d; March and April 8.66d; April and May 8.68d; May and June 8.71d; June and July 8.72d; July and August 8.72d; August and September 8.52d; September and October 7.48d; October and November nothing doing.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Clyde steamer Carib, Chichester, New York, H G Smallbones.

CLEARED.

Clyde steamer Carib, Chichester, Georgetown, S C, H G Smallbones.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., February 3.

STEAMERS.

Toloss, (Br) 2,099 tons, Holltum, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Coya, (Br) 1,945 tons, Thomas, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Rachel W Stevens, 1,032 tons, Stevens, C D Mafflit.

William Linthicum, 146 tons, Hitchens, C D Mafflit.

Ralph M Hayward, 529 tons, Trimm, C D Mafflit.

Brine P Pendleton, 821 tons, Hutchinson, C D Mafflit.

Geo A McFadden, 936 tons, Wallace, C D Mafflit.

M C Haskell, 299 tons, Wingfield, C D Mafflit.

Lillie, (Br) 311 tons, Davis, J T Riley & Co.

C C Lane, 306 tons, Kelley, (in distress) C D Mafflit.

Jno J Hansen, 556 tons, Wood, C D Mafflit.

Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

Low Round Trip Rates Via Atlantic Coast Line.

Mobile, Ala.—$23.20 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. On payment of 50 cents an extension of limit to March 5th may be secured.

Pensacola, Fla.—$22.70 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. By depositing ticket at Pensacola and on payment of 50 cents additional an extension of final limit to March 5th can be obtained.

New Orleans, La.—$25.35 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. By depositing ticket at New Orleans and on payment of 50 cents additional an extension of final limit to March 5th can be secured. W. J. CRAIG, General Passenger Agent.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—36 bales cotton, 6 barrels tar.

W. & W. Railroad—23 bales cotton, 1 barrel tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—781 bales cotton.

A. & Y. Railroad—15 barrels tar.

Total—830 bales cotton, 22 barrels tar.

— Mrs. Monkey—I wish you'd drop in and see our milkman, Charlie, and give him a good calling down. Mr. Monkey—Why, what's the matter now? Mrs. Monkey—I told him to leave three cocoanuts this morning, and he only left two, and one of them was only half full.—*Judge.*

Easily Obtained At Any Point.

While visiting in Atlanta my wife bought a bottle of Cheney's Expectorant to give our little boy for croup. The effect was very gratifying. Can I obtain the medicine in this city?

R. P. MICHAEL,

Cincinnati, O.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, February 2.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $2.50 per barrel bid for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.40 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.50 per barrel for hard, $4.25 for dip, $4.25 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 62c; rosin firm at $1.70@1.75 bid; tar firm at $1.60; crude turpentine firm at $2.20, 3.75@3.75.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	—
Rosin	—
Tar	22
Crude turpentine	—

Receipts same day last year—6 casks spirits turpentine, 178 barrels rosin, 330 barrels tar, 25 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market dull at 15¼c per pound for middling.

Same day last year, market firm at 8¼c for middling.

Receipts—830 bales; same day last year, 644.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 87½c; extra prime, 90c; fancy, 95c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 75c; extra prime, 80c; fancy, 85c. Spanish 95c.

CORN—Firm; 57½@60c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 16@16½c per pound; shoulders, 12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Firm at 23c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 25@35c; springs, 10@22c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12½@13c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25@26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50@55c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@3½c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent; closing bid 1½@2 per cent.; time loans were slightly firmer; sixty days 3¾@4 per cent.; ninety days 4@4¼ per cent.; six months 4¼@4½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5¼ per ct. Sterling exchange was firmer, with actual business in bankers' bills at 485.45@485.50 for demand and at 482.80@482.90 for sixty-day bills. Posted rates 483½ and 486@486½. Commercial bills 483¼. Bar silver 56¼. Mexican dollars 43. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 105; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 105; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 106; do. coupon, ex int, 106; U. S. 4's, new, reg'd, 132½; do. coupons ex int, 132½; U.S. 4's, old, reg'd, 107¼; U.S. 4's, old coupon, 107¼; U. S. 5's, registered, —; do, coupon, —; Southern Railway, 5's, 113. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio pref'd 91; Chesapeake & Ohio 34; Manhattan L 143½; New York Central 119; Reading 45; do. 1st preferred 79; do. 2nd preferred 59½; St. Paul 143¼; do. pref'd, 176½; Southern Railway 22¼; do. pref'd 83¾; Amalgamated Copper 49½; People's Gas 100⅞; Tennessee Coal and Iron 37½; U. S. Leather 7¾; U. S. Leather, preferred, 77¾; Western Union 88; U. S. Steel 10¼; do. preferred 54¾; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 33½; sales — shares; do. preferred, closed 106 bid; sales — shares. Standard Oil 660.

BALTIMORE, MD., Feb. 2.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 9⅜@9¾; do. preferred, 17½@17¾; do. bonds, fours, 68¾@69. Atlantic Coast Line, common, 110@110¾; do. preferred, nothing doing.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine steady.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 2.—Spirits turpentine and rosin nominal; nothing doing. Quotations omitted.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 2.—Spirits turpentine was quiet at 61½c; receipts 351 casks; sales 360 casks; exports 606 casks. Rosin was firm; receipts 2,651 barrels; sales 914 barrels; exports 7,906 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, $2 80; D, $2 80; E, $1 85; F, $2 90; G, $3 00; H, $3 05; I, $3 30; K, $3 35; M, $3 65; N, $3 70; W G, $3 95; W W $4 35.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 2.—The cotton market opened easy at a decline of seven to sixteen points on the old and an advance of ten to twelve points on the new crop positions. The latter were influenced by covering and buying here against sales in the English market, an operation said to be profitable, owing to the premiums existing, while the more active positions came in for heavy liquidation encouraged by disappointing cables and rather heavier receipts for the day in connection with unfavorable news from the Far East. There was continued buying for New Orleans account, however, and after a decline of about half a cent on the active months, the market was rallied to practically the opening figures after which it continued active and irregular until shortly after midday. Then a report was circulated that the local bull leader had sold out his holdings and was about to retire from the market for an indefinite period. This rumor was confirmed to some exient by the bull leader himself, who stated that he considered himself entitled to a holiday, but added that his temporary withdrawal from the market did not imply that he was no longer interested or that he had altered his bullish convictions. The moment the news was circulated, however, the market became a perfect bedlam of excited gesticulating brokers, who seemed to have but one desire on earth—and that desire to sell cotton. From 16.91, the high point of the morning, March sold down to 15.90, May from 17.32 to 16.05, and July from 17.43 to 16 15, a net decline of one hundred to one hundred and thirty-six points on the positions named. The New Orleans bulls were active buyers at the decline, however, and soon the market, appearing to have been sold out, was rallied. It was pointed out that the census bureau report, due in a day or so, was expected to prove very bullish, and with private advices from the South indicating continued firmness, there was a rally almost as sensational as the break, with prices in the first twenty minutes after the slump commenced, showing a recovery of from seventy to seventy-five points. At this the market took a slight breathing spell, the situation grew slighly less intense and trading proceeded more quietly. Part of the recovery was lost before the close, but the market was finally steady, with the three active months twenty to fifty-two points up from the bottom, but at a net decline of sixty-five to eighty-five points on the old and of five to twenty-seven points on the new crop months. Sales were estimated at 2,000,000 bales. The early decline was helped by reports of a private settlement said to have been made last night in which it was estimated something like 100,000 bales were concerned.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Cotton weak at 16.75c; net receipts 288 bales; gross receipts 4,088 bales; stock 74,203 bales.

Spot cotton closed weak and 50 points down; middling uplands 16.75; middling gulf 17.00c; sales — bales.

Cotton futures market opened steady: February 16.60, March 16.85, April 17.00, May 17.28, June 17.30, July 17.33, August 16.72, September 14.30, October 13.00, December 12.62.

Cotton futures market closed steady: February 15.90, March 16.19, April 16.36, May 16.57, June 16.57, July 16.65, August 16 17, September 14.00, October 12.85, December 12.40.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 33,587 bales; exports to Great Britain 5,639 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 55,746 bales; stock 741,349 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 88,517 bales; exports to Great Britain 18,637 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 72,716 bales; exports to Japan — bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6,027,022 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,794,875 bales; exports to France 586,843 bales; exports to the Continent 2,082,756 bales; exports to Japan 33,409 bales; exports to Mexico 20,346 bales.

Feb 2.—Galveston, nominal at 16c, net receipts 16,089 bales; Norfolk, not received, net receipts 1,600 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 17.25c, net receipts — bales; Boston, nominal at 17 25, net receipts 47 bales; Wilmington, dull at 15.50c, net receipts 630 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 17.00c, net receipts 131 bales; Savannah, quiet at 16¼c, net receipts 4,105 bales; New Orleans, quie: at 15 15 16c, net receipts 9,471 bales; Mobile, nominal at 16¼, net receipts 616 bales; Memphis, quiet at 16, net receipts 1,513 bales; Augusta, nominal at 16¼c, net receipts 1,085 bales; Charleston, firm at 16c, net receipts 435 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Flour was firm with a fair demand. Rye flour firm. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 94. Options—Stronger wheat prices were noted to-day as a result of good Western buying and a big decrease in the world's stocks. Last prices were ½@1c net higher: May closed 93¾c; July closed 88c; September 81¼. Corn—Spot strong; No. 2 56c. The option market was quiet but firmer on local covering, and the wheat advance, with a big advance near the close on heavy covering. Last prices were ¼c net higher. Sales: May closed 57¾c; July 55c. Oats—Spot firmer; No. 2 46c. Lard firm: Western steam $7 70; refined firm; compound 6¼@6¾c; continent $7 75. Butter firm; extra creamery 23c; State dairy 14@19c. Tallow quoted quiet. Cheese steady; State, full cream fancy, small colored, September 12; late made 10¼; small white, September 12; late made 10¼. Eggs strong; State and Pennsylvania nearby average, finest 33c. Peanuts firm; fancy hand-picked 5@5¼; other domestic 3¼@6c. Potatoes firm; Long Island $3 00@3 50; Jerseys $2 50@3 25; Jersey sweets $1 50@3 75; State and Western sacks $2 50@3 65. Cabbage steady; domestic, per ton, $20 00@35 00; per 100 $5 00@10 00. Freights to Liverpool—by steam 12. Rice steady. Molasses firm. Sugar—Raw and refined steady; confectioner's A $4 30; mould A $4 80; cut loaf $5 15; crushed $5 15; powdered $4 55; granulated $4 45; cubes $4 75. Cotton seed oil was quiet and easier: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 30@30½c; prime summer yellow 37@37½c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 40c; prime winter yellow 40@42c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—Trading on a mammoth scale was witnessed to-day in corn and oats. Manipulation by prominent operators caused a marked advance in both cereals. May corn showed a final advance of 1½c, while oats were up ½@⅝c. Wheat prices were affected largely by the strength in coarse grains, May wheat closing ⅞@1c higher. Provisions also were strong, the May products closing 17½ to 45c higher.

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—Cash prices; Flour quiet and steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring 86@90c; No. 3 spring 78@88c; No. 2 red 90¾@93¾. Corn—No. 2 47¾; No. 2 yellow 48¾c. Oats—No. 2 44c; No. 2 white —c; No. 3 white 43¾c. Rye—No. 2 80c. Mess pork, per bbl. $13 35@13 37½. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7 25@7 40. Short rib sides, loose, $6 15@6 65. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, —. Short clear sides, boxed, $6 87½@7 00. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May 90¾, 92, 90¾, 91¾c; July 83⅞@83, 83¾, 85⅞, 83¾c; September 78¼, 78¾, 78¼, 78¾@78¾c. Corn—No. 2 February 54¼, 45¾, 45¼, 45¾c; May 50¾@51, 52¾, 50¾@50¾, 51¾c; July 48¾, 49, 48¾, 48¾@48¾c. Oats—No. 2 February 41¾, 43, 41¼, 41¾c; May 44¼, 45¼@45¾, 44¼, 44¾@45c; July 38¾, 39¾, 38¼, 38⅝c; September 33¾, 33¾, 33¼, 33½c. Mess pork, per bbl—May $13 15, 13 50, 13 15, 13 45. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $7 40, 7 50, 7 37½, 7 50c; July $7 50, 7 57½, 7 40, 7 57½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $6 70, 6 80, 6 67½, 6 75; July 6 83½, 6 93½, 6 83½, 6 93½.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Coffee—Spot Rio steady; No. 7 invoice 9 7-16c; mild steady; Cordova 8¼@13c. The market for coffee futures opened irregular at an advance of 10 points and after some further irregularity, turned very weak. The sharp break in cotton seemed also to necessitate considerable liquidation by cotton exchange interests who were doubtless being pressed in order to finance their holdings of cotton. At the close the market, while steady, was net 40 to 50 points lower. Sales 555,250 bags.

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ALL DEALERS

Statement of

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.,

108 Princess Street.

At close of business January 22nd, 1904. (Condensed from Report to State Corporation Commission.)

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Discounts	$16,850.12	Capital	$ 25,000.00
Cash on hand and due from banks	318 590 37	Net Surplus	77,474.63
Real estate	1,900.00	Deposits	1,094,126 00
Furniture and Fixtures	2.00		
	1,903.00		
Total	$1,127,338 75	Total	$1,127,338 75

OFFICERS.

J. W. NORWOOD, President. H. WALTERS, Vice President.
C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.

DIRECTORS:

H. Walters, J. V. Grainger, J. W. Yates, E. B. Rankin, D. O'Conner, Donald MacRae, H. L. Vollers, J. W. Norwood, C. E. Taylor, Jr.

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REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, January 22, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$ 906,214 20
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		840 02
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		125,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		173,800 00
Stocks, securities, etc.		32,500 00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		20,000 00
Other Real Estate owned		10,000 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		92,453 45
Due from State Banks and Bankers		133,017 94
Due from approved reserve agents		107,086 32
Notes of other National Banks	$3,800 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	1,961 03	
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: Specie	$ 0 500 00	
Legal tender notes	$91,500 00	$106,961 03
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)		5,400 00
Total		$1,805,768 69

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	$125,000 00	
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	70,127 87	195,127 87
National Bank notes outstanding		125,000 00
Due to other National Banks	182,737 36	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	250,469 72	
Dividends unpaid	413 00	
Individual deposits subject to check	730,539 18	
Cashiers checks outstanding	20,689 56	
United States deposits	175,800 00	1,358,630 22
Total		$1,803,768 09

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, Andrew Moreland, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of November, 1903.

W. G. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
C. W. YATES,
WM. CALDER,
D. McEACHERN,
} Directors.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF **The Murchison National Bank,** of Wilmington, N. C.,

At close of business Jan. 22, 1904. (Began Business March 1st, 1899.)

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$1,090,218 50	Capital	$ 200,000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	250,000 00	Surplus and net profits	113,061 46
Bank Building	30,000 00	Circulation	90,000 00
Cash on hand and in Banks	663 768 89	Deposits	1,530,436 33
	$2,123,477 79		$2,133,477 79

Comparative statement of deposits.

Jan. 22nd, 1903, $657,556 76. Jan. 22nd, 1903, $1,304,819 99. Jan. 22nd, 1904, $1,530,436 33.

H. C. McQUEEN, President. J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

jan 26 tf

Coming this Week.

Nicest Lot of the Year.

Fifty head just arrived, the right kind at the right price.

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Banister's Kids, Pat. Kids and Colts, Box Calfs, Bals, Button, Bluchers and Cong., $5, $5.50 and $6. Selz Profecto Kids $3. Also, Selz Royal Blue Kids, Box Calf, Velour Calf, Bals and Bluchers $3.50.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Last Saturday Hyman Simon, colored, while drunk and sitting on the track at Lassiter's crossing, in Oxford, was run over and killed by a train on the Seaboard Air Line.

— On the 3rd of March Greenville will vote on the question of having a dispensary and prohibiting whiskey distilleries in the corporate limits. The petition for the election was signed by 104 citizens.

— Dr. J. F. Miller, superintendent of the State hospital for the colored insane at Goldsboro, was in Raleigh Monday and to a *News and Observer* reporter said: "We have between five and and six hundred patients and there is no room at present for any more."

— Three runaway boys, Geo. S. Remmers, Will West and Harry Johnson, from New York, were sent back home on Monday from Raleigh. They had been taken in charge by the police. One of the boys' parents sent a ticket from New York and money was raised at Raleigh to send the other two home. The boys say they are abundantly satisfied with their experience and are wild to go home again.

— At Goldsboro, on Monday, the suit of H. B. Parker, Jr., against the Southern Railway, came up in the Superior Court, before Judge George H. Brown. The plaintiff claims $25,000 damages on account of permanent injuries which he alleges he received in a wreck near Raleigh several months ago. Hon. Fab H. Busbee, of Raleigh, appeared for the railroad, and on account of the absence of a material witness the case was continued till the next term of the court, April 18th.

— At Raleigh on Monday J. W. Scott & Company, of Greensboro, filed certificate of amendment authorizing the issuance of preferred stock. The total authorized capital stock is $100,000, divided into shares of $50 each, of which 600 are fully paid and outstanding. Six hundred shares shall be preferred stock and the remaining 1,400 shares, including the 600 now fully paid and outstanding, shall be common stock.

— In the graduating class at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Monday, were two North Carolinians—Mr. Arrowwood, of Stanly county, and Mr. David Worth Bagley, of Raleigh. They are now midshipmen. Mr. Bagley will be assigned to the Missouri, the finest vessel in the North American squadron, commanded by Commander Cowles. The Missouri will sail next week from Newport News. Mr. Bagley is expected in Raleigh to-day to visit his sister, Mrs. Josephus Daniels.

— A correspondent at Currituck, N. C., writes under date of February 1st, that Currituck Sound has been frozen over twice this winter with the ice hard enough to walk across on it. That is something that does not often occur. During a freeze like those the game, such as duck, geese and swan, get quite poor, but it does not take long for them to get back to their normal condition. This season for game has been rather a poor one but the fishermen, as a rule, have done exceedingly well.

— Raleigh *Post*, Jan. 31: Mrs. Ada Yarborough, wholesale dry goods dealers, of this city, has instituted suit through her counsel, Col. J. C. L. Harris, to annul her marriage to Oliver Ogden. The marriage took place in Lexington, N. C., about three years ago, and was performed by the Baptist minister there. Ogden came to Lexington from Pittsburg, Pa. He soon deserted his wife and she has discovered since she came here that he had another wife living when he married her, hence she seeks an annulment of her marriage. Ogden's whereabouts are unknown.

— At Raleigh on Monday a charter was issued by the State to the Elizabeth City Publishing Company, of Elizabeth City, to publish newspapers and conduct a general job printing and engraving office. Walter L. Cohoon, W. T. Old and numerous others are stockholders. The preferred capital stock is $4,000 and the common stock $3,500. The State also chartered the Washington Fish and Produce Company, of Washington, N. C., with a total authorized capital stock of $5,000, all paid in by W. P. Banghan, J. M. Gaskill, L. L. Hannaford and David N. Martin, all of Washington.

— Raleigh *Post*: Mr. Charles H. Stanley of Laurel Fork, Va., writes the Baltimore *Manufacturer's Record* enthusiastically of the prospects of the immediate construction of a railroad from Mount Airy in this State to cross the Blue Ridge and connect with the Norfolk and Western at Roanoke, Va. It will be an electric road, 85 miles long, the "electricity to be manufactured by water power near Floyd Court House, that point being the center of distribution." Our water powers will be manufacturing electricity to run many railroads in this and adjoining States as well as other enterprises, within a few years. All of which makes the measure for the reservation of the Appalachian forest reserve the more urgent.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*, Feb. 2nd: Mr. H. P. Dortch, Jr. has resigned from his position as clerk in the State Department of Agriculture, and has left the city. Mr. Dortch was doubtless led to take this action by a desire not to embarrass the department on account of his connection with the affair of the Godfrey bonds. The resignation of Mr. Dortch was written Saturday night, and received by the Commissioner of Agriculture on yesterday. Saturday night Mr. Dortch left the city, but did not state his destination. It will be remembered that Mr. Dortch testified before the grand jury that Mr. C. C. Jones, of Goldsboro, who had loaned money on the bonds, discovered that they were stolen after they came into his possession, and got him (Mr. Dortch) to seek legal advice, that he employed Col. Harris to deliver the bonds to the owner, the amount to be paid not being mentioned, that Col. Harris delivered to him $750 for Mr. Jones, that Mr. Jones paid him (Mr. Dortch) $250 of the $750. On the day after that testimony of Mr. Dortch, he paid back to Mr. Godfrey the $250 that he said Mr. Jones gave him for his part in the transaction.

From Despondency to Health.

North Alton, Ill. June 9, 1903.

A few months ago my health seemed to break down altogether. I had a complete collapse and nature refused to sustain me any longer. I lost my appetite, could not sleep and was in the very slough of despondency, which was greatly aggravated at the menstrual period. Our physician was unable to give me anything which was of the least benefit to me and I kept getting worse and was very nervous and hysterical.

A friend who had used Wine of Cardui suggested that I try it. So I sent for some and within two days after I started to use it I felt a great deal better. I could sleep at night and gradually the nervousness passed away. I became strong and had no pain at the period.

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There are hundreds of women in this city today who need Wine of Cardui and they would not hesitate a moment to take it if they only knew what a record it has made. Day after day and year after year letters like this one, praising Wine of Cardui, have appeared in the papers of this land and hundreds of thousands of sick women have secured relief from painful and irregular menstruation, leucorrhœa and bearing down pains by following the advice given.

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Try the treatment by getting a bottle of Wine of Cardui from your druggist today.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*, Feb. 2: The District Attorney, Col. Harry Skinner, yesterday received a United States Treasury warrant for $22,000. This is to pay for the site and for the public building to be erected in Elizabeth City. The site hasbeen agreed upon and the matter of the building is settled. Col. Skinner has put the Treasury warrant for $22,000 in a government safe and will take it to Elizabeth City at a time agreeable to all the parties at interest. — There was another fall of snow yesterday morning, which added to the depth of that already here. In the afternoon the weather moderated and the streets were slushy. At night the temperature fell and the snow was again hardened while the water froze.

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$1.50 quality 36-inch warranted Black Taffetta Silk, special for this week's sale, only $1.20 per yard.
$1.25 quality 36-inch every yard warranted Black Taffetta Silk, over 300 yards to sell this week for $1.00 per yard.
$1.25 quality of Peau-de-soie, rich black good quality.
$1.50 extra quality Black Peau-de-soie, warranted to [illegible] Costumes, special this week 98c.
$1.25 quality Armour Silk suitable for Waisting, Dresses, all silk, special bargain price of 98c per yd.
$1.00 quality "moor all silk, special for 69c per yd.
59c all silk Black Taffetta, suitable for linings, special this week's sale only 49c.
Honeymoon Silk. Warranted to wear for lining special price this week 19c per yard.
$1.00 quality two toned satin duchesse, fine quality, silk special [illegible] per yard.
$1.00 and 75c odd lengths of Fancy Waist silk. In this assortment you will find [illegible] of the best bargains we have offered in some time special prices [illegible] bargains.
58 in. Taffetta Silk, for shirt waists, [illegible] in all colors, special this week 69c, per yard.
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STATEMENT OF THE

Atlantic Trust and Banking Company,

Wilmington, N. C.

At close of business, January 22nd, 1904. (Condensed from report to Corporation Commission. Began business September, 1902.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$324,958 84	Capital Stock	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	100 00	Undivided profits	12,232 61
Cash on hand and in Banks	12,986 93	Deposits	342,762 86
Total	$404,995 47	Total	$404,995 47

MATT J. HEYER, President. B. H. J. AHRENS, Vice President

MITCHELL D. ALLEN, Cashier.

DIRECTORS:

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Tinware and Stoves.

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jan 3 tf Orton Building.

Forclosure Sale.

By virtue of the provisions of the power of sale contained in a mortgage made by George H. James to the Wilmington Homestead & Loan Association, recorded in Book No. 38, page 274, the undersigned will sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover County in Wilmington on the 5th day of February, 1904, the following described lot of land in said city: Beginning at a point in the Eastern line of Seventh street 66 feet south of the southern line of Wooster street, runs thence east parallel with Wooster street 55 feet, thence South parallel with Seventh street 66 feet; thence west parallel with Wooster street 55 feet; thence north with the eastern line of Seventh street 66 feet to the beginning.

WILMINGTON HOMESTEAD & LOAN ASSOCIATION, by

jan 17 20t JOHN D. BELLAMY, Attorney.

Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST.			GOING WEST.	
2 Passg'r Trains		STATIONS.	4 Passg'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	6 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	6 20	Kinston	10 13	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	9 27	9 00
7 03	7 07	Morehead City	7 23	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.25 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 1.50 P. M. and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

oct 21 tf S. L. DILL, Supt.

SCHEDULE

CONSOLIDATED RAILWAYS,

LIGHT & POWER COMPANY.

Effective October 21st, 1903.

LEAVE.

Wilmington.	Wrightsville for Wil.	Beach.
*† 7.00 A. M.	8.10 A. M.	.....
10.00 A. M.	11.17 A. M.	11.00 A. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.15 P. M.	5.00 P. M.
*†6.10 P. M.	7.00 P. M.	.....
10.00 P. M.	10.50 P. M.	Saturday only

*Daily except Sunday.
†Will not run beyond Wrightsville unless there are passengers for the Beach.

FREIGHT.

Small freight shipments will be carried on all passenger cars except 3 P. M. trips. Special arrangements for transportation of large shipments or bulky freight can be made by applying at the office. dec 13 tf

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule in Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

NORTHBOUND.

	No 48	No 47
Lv Wilmington	9 30 a m	6 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 21 p m	9 32 p m
Ar Wilson	1 16 p m	10 25 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 58 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 55 p m	1 45 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 55 p m	3 25 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 09 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 32 a m
Ar New York	7 20 a m	1 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	9 25 a m	9 30 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	2 30 a m
Ar Washington	3 32 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	8 20 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 05 a m
Ar Weldon	9 51 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 47 p m	1 10 p m
Ar Wilson	11 33 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	5 40 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH

SOUTHBOUND

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 20 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 25 a m	7 30 p m	8 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 25 p m	6 40 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	3 55 a m	9 15 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	8 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7 25 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 05 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	6 00 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	5 14 p m	5 56 a m
Ar Florence	7 40 p m	9 25 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD

	West Bound Daily		East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar	6 00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 15 p m	Ar	4 55 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv	3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday		South Bound
Lv Wilmington	2 25 p m	Ar	12 12 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv	9 00 a m

Trains Nos. 48 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with Penna R. R. for all points east.

W. J. CRAIG, Gen'l Passenger Agent.

H. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager.

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Seaboard

Air Line Railroad.

Schedule in Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

TRAIN 39	Leaves Wilmington 3:10 p. m.	arrive Lumberton 5:55 p. m., Pembroke 6:20 p m, Maxton 6:45 p m, Hamlet 7:35 p m.
	arrive Charlotte 10:45 p m.	
TRAIN 15	Leaves Wilmington 9:00 p m,	arrives Lumberton 9:15 a m, Pembroke 9:35 a m, Maxton 4:06 a m, Hamlet 6:00 a m.
TRAIN 40	Leaves Charlotte 5:01 a m,	Hamlet 8:40 a m, arrives Maxton 9:25 a m, Pembroke 10:00 a m, Lumberton 10:27 a m, Wilmington 12:05 p m.
TRAIN 14	Leaves Hamlet 10:45 p m,	arrives Maxton 12:30 a m, Pembroke 1:20 a m, Lumberton 2:15 a m, Wilmington 7:00 a m.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	7 35 a m	10 15 p m
Ar Monroe	9 10 a m	11 55 a m
Ar Charlotte	10 05 a m	.....
Ar Chester	10 50 a m	1 10 a m
Ar Greenwood	12 51 p m	3 12 a m
Ar Athens	2 50 p m	5 55 a m
Ar Atlanta	6 55 p m	7 30 a m

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	7 15 a m	10 10 p m
Ar Columbia	10 30 a m	1 00 a m
Ar Savannah	2 30 p m	4 45 a m
Ar Jacksonville	5 40 p m	9 05 a m
Ar Tampa	6 15 a m	6 35 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	8 50 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	11 30 a m
Ar Norlina	3 25 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Portsmouth	7 50 a m	5 30 p m
Ar Norfolk		

Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	7 30 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	10 55 a m
Ar Norlina	3 25 a m	1 00 p m
Ar Richmond	6 10 a m	4 55 p m
Ar Washington	9 50 a m	8 36 p m
Ar Baltimore	11 34 p m	11 25 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m	6 10 p m

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SOUTHBOUND.

Lv New York	12 55 p m
Lv Jersey City	1 15 p m
Lv Philadelphia	3 55 p m
Lv Baltimore	5 45 p m
Lv Washington	7 00 p m
Lv Richmond	10 25 p m
Ar Raleigh (Johnson St)	2 10 a m
Ar Southern Pines	3 54 a m
Lv Hamlet	4 50 a m
Ar Camden	6 35 a m
Ar Columbia (S. T.)	7 56 a m
Ar Columbia (C. T.)	8 00 a m
Ar Savannah	9 45 a m
Ar Thalmann	11 34 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1 20 p m
Lv Jacksonville	1 30 p m
Ar St. Augustine	2 30 p m

NORTHBOUND.

Lv St. Augustine	12 10 p m
Ar Jacksonville	1 10 p m
Lv Jacksonville	4 20 p m
Lv Thalmann	5 07 p m
Lv Savannah	6 50 p m
Ar Columbia (C. T.)	5 30 p m
Ar Columbia (S. T.)	9 35 p m
Ar Camden	10 14 p m
Ar Hamlet	11 55 p m
Lv Southern Pines	12 40 p m
Lv Raleigh	2 40 a m
Ar Richmond	6 45 a m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	11 38 a m
Ar Philadelphia	1 45 p m
Ar Jersey City	3 55 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m

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OLIDE MILNE, Gen'l Freight Agent.
THEO. G. EGER, Gen'l Manager.
WM. P. CLYDE & CO., Gen'l Agents, 19 State Street, New York.

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I own sixty building lots in the Southern portion of the City of Wilmington which I will sell for cash, prices ranging from $50 to $90. I will give warranty deeds for same. For further particulars you may see my Attorney, Geo. H. Howell, at 113½ Princess street.

dec 27 1m MARY McI. HARRISS.

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEB. 3.

THE COTTON BOLL WEEVIL.

Report of Special Agent of Department of Agriculture — No Probability that Pest Ever Will be Exterminated.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—W. D. Hunter, special agent in charge of cotton boll weevil investigations for the Department of Agriculture, in a report issued to-day as an emergency bulletin, says the work of his division for several years "has demonstrated that there is not even a remote probability that the boll weevil ever will be exterminated." The bulletin adds:

"Although the very large yields of cotton of former times may no longer be possible, it is nevertheless entirely feasible to produce cotton at a margin of profit that will compare favorably with that involved in the production of most of the staple crops of the United States by following what have become known generally as the cultural methods, involving changes and modifications of the system of cotton raising made necessary by the weevil. They were originally suggested by a careful study of the life history and habits of the pest and naturally any improvements that may eventually be made will be the result of the continuation of that study. They have now been tested successfully on a large scale by the division of entomology, as well as by many planters, during two very unfavorable seasons. Of greatest advantage is the reducing of the numbers of the weevils by the destruction of the plants in the Fall. The advantage thus gained is followed up by bending every effort toward procuring an early crop the following season."

The changes in the cotton raising system urgently recommended are:

"Early planting with seed from as far north as possible; thorough cultivation of the fields, which influences the constant growth and consequent early maturing of the crop; planting the rows as far apart as feasible and the thorough thinning out of the plants in rows; the destruction by plowing up, wind-rowing and burning of all the cotton stalks in the fields as soon as the weevils become so numerous that practically all the fruit is being punctured, thus destroying the very great proportion of weevils developing late in the Autumn, and extensive use of fertilizers so as to procure earlier craps.

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

Meeting of Democratic Committee in St. Louis to Make Arrangements.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 2. — Pursuant to call, the committee on arrangements for the Democratic National Convention, consisting of members of the Democratic National Committee, met at the Southern Hotel to-day with all the members present except John R. McLean, of Ohio.

A committe of the Business Men's League met with the committee and explained the preparations that had been made, especially in regard to hotel rates. The assurance was given that there would be no advance in the rates now in force. The gentlemen from the Business Men's League, devoted most of the afternoon to a close personal inspection of the Coliseum, acquainting themselves fully with the arrangements of the building and the plans for preparing it for the convention.

The committee unanimously adopted a resolution expressing satisfaction with the arrangements made by the local committee relative to hotel accommodations and the rates to be charged.

WILLIAM COLLINS WHITNEY.

Former Secretary of the Navy Died of Blood Poisoning in New York.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—William Collins Whitney, former secretary of the navy, died a few minutes after 4 o'clock this afternoon at his home, 871 Fifth avenue. He died while under the influence of ether, administered preparatory to a second operation for appendicitis. By his bedside were his son, Harry Payne Whitney, and his daughter, Dorothy Whitney, as well as Dr. William T. Bull, the chief surgeon in attendance. He was in his 64th year.

The interment will be at Woodlawn, at a date to be hereafter fixed, in the family plot, where are the remains of Mrs. Flora Payne Whitney, Olive Whitney, and Mr. Whitney's grandchild, Flora Payne Paget. The funeral services will be held at Grace church, where Mr. Whitney was a pew holder.

NEW ENGLAND MILLS.

Depressing Conditions Affecting the Cotton Manufacturing Industry.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOSTON, Mass, Feb. 2.—Although New England manufacturing companies are not in the cotton market for raw material in large amounts at present quotations, no big corporation has entirely shut down its mills. In many mills there is some idle machinery and towards spring it is expected many more spindles will have to be stopped.

It develops that the unusual cost of cotton is not the only impediment to the success of the cotton industry. The fear of war between Japan and Russia has killed the demand in China and other countries in the Orient for cotton goods, and most of those mills which engaged in the export trade with that part of the world are looking for markets elsewhere.

THE PANAMA TREATY.

Its Ratification Expected About the Middle of This Month.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—It is the general expectation in administration circles that the Panama treaty will be ratified about the middle of the present month, and in anticipation of that event Secretary Shaw will soon take steps looking to a re-call of a portion of the public funds now in the hands of national bank depositories. Just what percentage of these public deposits will be called for has not yet been definitely determined, but there is reason to believe that it will approximate 30 per cent. of $90,000,000.

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For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

IN SUPPORT OF PANAMA TREATY.

New Democratic Senator from Arkansas Made His First Speech in the Senate.

ENDORSED THE PRESIDENT.

Declared Absolute Adherence to Roosevelt's Policy—Made Vigorous Appeal for Consideration on Independent Basis.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Mr. Clarke, the new Democratic senator from Arkansas, made his first speech in the Senate to-day, in support of the Panama canal treaty. He spoke for two hours and announced his endorsement of every position taken by the President in connection with the Panama revolt and in the negotiations of the treaty with the new State.

Mr. Fairbanks also spoke in support of the treaty, contending for the regularity of all the proceedings of the administration on the isthmus of Panama.

Mr. Clarke lost no time in declaring his absolute adherence to the policy of the President. The question of the wisdom of building an isthmian canal is no longer, he said, a question for discussion, and this declaration was followed by another statement in endorsement of the treaty, whose terms were, he said, most liberal. He contended that the recognition by the President of the republic of Panama had been in all respects regular and in accord with precedents. This action he considered final, and in none of its aspects subject to review by the Senate in dealing with the treaty.

Mr. Clarke expressed regret at not being able to agree with those of his Democratic colleagues who oppose ratification, but he called attention to the fact that many of those who opposed the treaty have themselves been earnest friends of an isthmian canal. He could not find himself willing to obstruct an enterprise in which his State, as all other parts of the country, is interested, because of any acts of the President which might not in all details meet approval. He disclaimed, however, any intention to criticise the President in any respect, for he felt that the provocation was such that Mr. Roosevelt, like Warren Hastings, might congratulate himself on doing so little when there was opportunity to do so much. He found so much provocation in the dealings of Colombia that he did not wonder that a man of the President's temperament had taken the position he had, and Mr. Clark expressed surprise that more encouragement had not been given to the Panama uprising.

Mr. Clarke also announced his disagreement with the senators who contended that the President should have turned to the Nicaraguan route after failing to secure Colombia's ratification of the canal treaty. His principal reason for this position was announced to be his belief that we should have a sea level canal, which was possible on the Panama route and not possible on the Nicaragua route. He did not believe that any but a sea level canal would pay expenses.

He declared his satisfaction over the fact that the public expression given in favor of the canal had come from Democratic States, and he added that the Democratic party would make the ratification of the treaty certain. The Republican party could make no such claim and the President had received no assurances of support from the Republican party at large.

Continuing his discussion of the political feature of the canal controversy and extending his contention that the President was without support in his own party, Mr. Clarke declared that "the President is now the central figure in a Belshazzar's feast, waiting for some friendly Daniel to interpret the handwriting on the wall and prophesy for him whether the chairman of the Republican national committee will 'fish or cut bait.'" He also declared that popular support of the President's course in his own party was so lukewarm as to cause great rejoicing over the announcement that the three principal Federal officeholders in Boston were for the nomination of Mr. Roosevelt, and to cause the announcement that Alaska was for him, to be blazoned forih in box car letters. "But, notwithstanding this lethargy," the senator predicted the nomination of the President, saying that while the Democrats were in doubt as to whom to instruct for, the Republicans knew for whom they must instruct.

He made a vigorous appeal for consideration of the canal question independent of partisan bias and when he closed was congratulated by a number of senators from both sides of the chamber.

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow.

House of Representatives,

By unanimously agreeing to a resolution amending the rules of the House to-day the resident commissioner to Congress from Porto Rico was given additional authority, equal in all essential respects to that of a delegate from a territory, the action not requiring the concurrence of the Senate.

A bill which provided for a "delegate from Porto Rico," passed the House during the last Congress, but was amended by the Senate to such an extent that it failed.

Several hours were spent by the House in considering private claims, which resulted in the passage of five bills and the beginning of the consideration of the "Omnibus Claims" bilil.

The House adjourned until to-morrow.

CARGO ON FIRE.

On Steamer Iroquois on Voyage from New York to Charleston, S. C.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S, C., Feb. 2.—The steamer Iroquois, Captain Watson, arrived here from New York yesterday morning. On Sunday afternoon fire was discovered in the afterhold between decks. Live steam and two streams of water were immediately brought into effect and in an hour the fire was under control. Some of the miscellaneous cargo was jettisoned. The vessel did not sustain any injury and proceeded for Jacksonville this afternoon. There was not any sign of a panic among the passengers. They held a meeting and passed resolutions, complimenting Captain Watson and officers and crew for their coolness and excellent judgment exhibited.

Nearly Forfeits His Life.

A runaway, almost ending fatally, started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B. Orner, of Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors and all remedies. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally as good for Burns, Bruises, Skin Eruptions and Piles. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

BIG SLUMP IN COTTON FUTURES MARKET.

Heavy Selling and a Violent Break in Prices on the New York Exchange. Sales 2,000,000 Bales

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Heavy selling and a violent break in prices marked to-day's business on the Cotton Exchange, the day's slump being even more sensational than the recent advances which have steadily sent cotton quotations upward, until yesterday they reached the highest level since 1875.

Under the influence of a number of causes, chief of which was the confirmed report that Daniel J. Sully, the supposed leader of the upward movement, was about to take a vacation, and enhanced by the belief of many rumors that its culmination had been reached, quotations for all months collapsed to the extent of from $6 to $8 per bale and utter demoralization ruled in the pit. No failures were reported, but the violent fluctuations represent losses of millions distributed throughout the market. Transactions during the day were enormous in the aggregate, the day's sales being estimated at 2,000,000 bales. The break was checked finally by renewed bull support and a rally followed. The close was about steady.

The day opened with a sharp break in prices under the influence of a generally circulated rumor of settlements by short interests effected since yesterday. This sent quotations down a half cent per pound, but a denial of the rumor brought about a substantial recovery. Barely had the market steadied after this movement when the report of Mr. Sully's intention to take a vacation became current and prices again started down. It was inferred that this meant the successful disposition of his interests and the abandonment of his campaign, and when he was quoted to the effect that he was about to take a two weeks vacation the downward movement became a panic, selling orders poured in upon the brokers and the market went to pieces, quotations melting away five and ten points at a time. In fifteen minutes of this panic, with every broker a seller and none a buyer, prices fell vertically almost a cent a pound and the May option in less than an hour registered a decline of a cent and a quarter a pound, a variation greater than would have been effected in a week under nominal conditions. Along with the liquidation of bull speculators there was some selling for short account.

The sensational decline continued apparently until it had spent itself. After it had been going on for about an hour, and fortunes had been wiped out, a few buying orders appeared and served to allay the storm of liquidation and short selling. Then the "shorts" began to cover and there was a quick rally of from seventy to seventy-five points, but it had been a terrible hour.

The close was reasonably steady on the active options at from twenty to fifty-two points above the low points of the day. Only once before in the history of the Cotton Exchange have transactions for [illegible] those of to-day, wh[ile] figures was reache[d]

Just before the [clo]se was circula[ted] Sully had cabled [his] spondents that [he] holdings and was [out] tion. This repor[t] credence on acc[ount] ments said to hav[e] firm last eve[ning]

GREAT FIRE

Several Wholesal[e] Two Firemen K[illed] $400,000—I[n]

By Telegraph

KNOXVILLE, [Tenn.] the heart of [the] which broke [out] night caused [a] cost the lives [of] dead are: Wi[ll] wagon No. 2 fireman, who [was] fire.

The fire started in the Phœnix building, on Gay street, between Wall and Union avenues, and in the wholesale hat and millinery house of Murphy & Robinson. In a few minutes after the alarm had been turned in and the entire fire department summoned to fight the flames, the three top stories of Murphy & Robinson's store were in flames. The firemen were unable to check the flames and they spread north and south, into the store of Cullen & Newman, wholesale notions, on the north and into the store of M. L. Ross & Company on the south.

After gutting Cullen & Newman's, the flames spread to Cullen & Shield's retail and wholesale glassware and jewelry house, which was entirely destroyed. The fire was checked after it had slightly damaged M. Barnstein & Company, on the south. The firemen had three lines of hose on the Ross building, which is four stories high, when the high walls of the Phœnix crumbled and crashed through the roof of the Ross building.

The estimated losses and insurances are as follows: Murphy & Robinson, loss $75,000, insurance $60,000; Cullen & Newman, loss $80,000, insurance $72,000; M. L. Ross & Co., loss $75,000, insurance $57,000; Cullen & Shields, loss $50,000, insurance $30,000. Loss on buildings $90,000, insurance $70,000. Total estimated loss $370,000, insurance $300,000.

Chattanooga was called on for assistance, but the company was later notified the fire was under control.

LIGHT WEIGHTS FIGHT.

Joe Gans Got the Best of Mike Ward in the Tenth Round.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DETROIT, MICH, Feb. 2.—Joe Gans, the light weight champion, to-night demonstrated his superiority over Mike Ward, of Ontario, for the light weight championship of Canada, in so decided a manner that the police stopped the bout at the expiration of two and one-half minutes of the tenth round. Ward was just able to stagger about the ring and another of the punches Gans had been raining on his jaw would have put him out. Ward was so badly beaten that it took his seconds over an hour to thoroughly revive him after he was led to his corner. Gans ruled favorite, 10 to 6 in the betting, which was brisk. Both men were in splendid condition.

— The governor of British North Borneo, who has just arrived in London, says General Leonard Wood, pile recently at Sandakan, capital of North Borneo, informed him that the question of the ownership of the islands off the coast of Borneo over which a United States war vessel had hoisted the American flag, would be amicably settled.

Will you need silk this Spring? If so, go to Polvogt's silk sale this week. †

SITUATION GROWS MORE SERIOUS.

Russia's Delay in Replying to Japan Diminishes the Slight Prospects for Peace.

FLEET PUT IN FIGHTING TRIM.

Japan Waiting Patiently, But Will Act Energetically When Russia's Note is Received—May Dispatch an Ultimatum Before Striking.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

TOKIO, Feb. 2.—The Russian note is still undelivered and the government and people of Japan do not possess any definite information concerning the time of its arrival or its contents. Russia's delay, coupled with the announcement of continued movement of reinforcements into Manchuria, increases the strain of the tension, while it diminishes the already slight prospects for peace. The government has been urged to dispatch a peremptory note to St. Petersburg threatening to declare war if refused immediate satisfaction in the way of a reply to its previous note, but still the government is patiently waiting, although it is manifest if the delay is much more prolonged it will act energetically. Events will move rapidly when the note is finally received, if it is materially unsatisfactory, and the prospect for additional negotiation is slight, although probably Japan will dispatch an ultimatum before striking. The Japanese show a remarkable outward calm and no scenes similar to those in America and England before recent wars are witnessed. There are occasional demonstrations and cut-croppings of popular feeling, but the casual visitor to the larger cities can see but little out of the ordinary in the disposition and behavior of the people. There is, however, an undercurrent of desperate determination running the nation's length and breadth. The people have counted the cost and made preparations so that if forced to fight they are capable of waging and sustaining war in a manner that will surprise the world.

Warning to Japan.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 2.—The Czar now has before him the report of the special council on the Russian response. All the papers relating thereto were submitted to him yesterday by the Grand Duke Alexis and the Czar is giving them earnest consideration. He had not rendered his decision up to 6 o'clock this evening, and it is authoritatively said it may possibly be several days before the response is forwarded to Tokio.

Prices on the Bourse are again weak, 4 per cents falling a point.

"The announcement of the Russian mobilization precedes the Russian response, as a warning to Japan," says the *Bourse Gazette* to-day.

Ready for Immediate Service.

[illegible] The bank has a capital of [illegible] deposits of $975,000.

WARM WIRELETS

To save 1-3 of your money, visit Gaylord's Big Store. This big sale lasts ten days only. †

The directors of the United States Steel corporation yesterday accepted the resignation of John D. Rockefeller and elected Henry Phipps, of Pittsburg, to fill the vacancy.

The Kirby Lumber Company and the Houston Oil Company, two of the largest corporations in Texas, have been placed in the hands of temporary receivers by the Federal court at New Orleans.

A report has reached the Isthmus that Colombian troops are fighting with the Indians on the San Blas coast, which is in Panamaian territory. It is impossible, however, to obtain reliable confirmation of this.

Madame Nordica, the prima donna, who in private life is Mrs. Lillian M. Doeme, was yesterday granted an interlocutory decree of divorce by Justice Bischoff, in the Supreme Court of New York.

The Interstate Commerce Commission has assigned a hearing for March 8d in the case of the Planters' Compress Company, of Boston, Mass., against a number of railroads, involving the relative rates on cylindrical bales of cotton and the regulation round bales.

The trial of Charles D. Hill, grandson of the late Benjamin H. Hill, United States Senator and statesman, who is indicted for the murder of Watt Brown, began in LaGrange, Ga., yesterday. A brilliant array of legal talent has been engaged to defend Hill, while the State is ably represented.

At a meeting yesterday between the former owners of the Southern Car and Foundry Company and the receivers appointed to take charge of that property at Anniston, Ala., an amicable agreement was reached and it was determined that the receivers should conduct the plant until present orders have been filled.

— Mrs. G. A. Bronson yesterday received a telegram from Washington, D. C, stating that her daughter, Mrs. John S. Collins, was critically ill with pneumonia and not expected to live.

See the Silks at bargain prices during this week at Polvogt's. †

50c and 75c laundered shirts for men 38c for 10 days only at Gaylord's Big Store. †

PRETTY WEDDING AT EMERSON.

Prominent Young Alabama Man Claimed Fair North Carolina Bride.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

EMERSON, N. C., Feb. 2.—One of the prettiest home weddings of the season was solemnized Wednesday evening at 6:30 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, when Miss Hettie E. Porter, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Y. R. Porter, was united in marriage to Mr. Edgar Hubert Robertson, a popular young business man of Highnote, Ala. The parlor in which the ceremony was performed was beautifully decorated with a profusion of palms, Southern smilax and garlands of green and white ribbons. As the soft sweet tones of the wedding march, skilfully rendered by Miss Lillian Pearl Floyd, of Lumberton, pealed forth, the bridesmaids and groomsmen entered in couples from the opposite doors and crossed over alternately by the bay windows. First came Misses Dora Smith, of Lumberton, and Francenia Porter, of Kelly, from the right; then from the left came Messrs. Hector Edward, of Rosindale, and Sam Porter of Lake Waccamaw; again from the right, entered Misses Hattie Edwards, of Rosindale, and Meppie Woodcock of Wilmington, following from the left Messrs. Edison Council, of Wannanish, and Walter Porter, of Hamlet; from the right came Miss Maydie Margaret Porter, sister of the bride who was maid of honor. Following from the left came the groom and his best man, Mr. Lloyd C. Townsend, of Lumberton; entering from the right came the lovely bride leaning on the arm of her brother, Mr. J. E. Porter.

The contracting parties met in front of the bay window, which was banked with palms, facing the clergyman Rev. W. S. Ballard, of Clarkton, who with a beautiful and impressive ceremony, united the two loving hearts The "Flower Song" was softly rendered on the piano by Miss Floyd during the ceremony.

After the marriage a sumptous supper was served after which a dance was given which lasted until a late hour of the night. The bride and groom left Friday on the afternoon train for their future home at Highnote, Ala. Accompanying them were Misses Johnnie Porter and Dora Smith.

— A telephone message to the police station early yesterday afternoon stated that a general row was in progress in the alley opposite the market house. Policeman B. R. King went down to investigate and landed Chas. Fisher, Kate Fisher and Gertrude Davis, all colored, in the station house.

Special silk sales at Polvogt's this week—have you seen them? †

THE CAMEL'S HEAD.

"Where the camel's head goes his body follows," says an Oriental proverb. It's the same way with disease. A small opening will give it an entrance and then disease once has a place in the body a large number of ills may follow it. The opening for disease is often found in a "weak" stomach. When the stomach is "weak" the body also becomes weakened by lack of nutrition, and disease attacks the heart, liver, lungs, kidneys and other organs. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery makes the weak stomach strong. It cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition, and so enables the body to resist or throw off other diseases.

Men and women who are sick are invited to consult Dr. Pierce, by letter, *free*, and so obtain without charge the opinion of a specialist on their ailments. All correspondence strictly confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

"For the past two years I have been a very sick woman," writes Mrs. Chesley, of 108 Woodland Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. "I tried medicines from doctors and to no avail. At last I decided to try Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. When I started I was all run-down and had a very unpleasant taste in my mouth. Was choked up, and at times it was very hard for me to breathe. I had severe headaches and cutting pains in my knee joint. Was so weak I could not attend to my work nor walk up or down stairs without the assistance of my brother or some friend. I am now taking the fourth bottle, and am happy to say I feel like myself again. I can go up and down stairs and perform my duties as well as any one. Everything seems to be brighter, and I can assure you that life is worth living."

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Biliousness is cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

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Comfortable accommodations and good board at Virginia House, 118 Market street, over Taylor's Bazaar. $3.50 per week. feb 3 3m

Mr. Geo. Darden had insured with Col. Walker Taylor. Insurance has been adjusted and in a few days Mr Darden will be ready for business again. Cause of fire upsetting of lamp. feb 3 1t

Special Sale Friday, 9 o'clock, China, Glass and Jardiners 10 cents at Blessinger's 119 Market street. feb 2 1t

Reduced prices on wood. Beginning Monday morning, February 1st, we reduce the price of wood ten per cent. First class lump coal $5.50 per ton, second class lump coal, $5.00 per to... We promise to protect all our patrons in prices when quality is considered. J. A. Springer & Co. jan 31 3t

Wanted—Special representative in this county and adjoining territories, to represent and advertise an old established business house of solid financial standing. Salary $21 weekly, with expenses, advanced each Monday by check direct from headquarters. Horse and buggy furnished when necessary; position permanent. Address Blew Brothers, 600 Monon Building, Chicago, Ill. jan 26 8t

The Only Restaurant is prepared to accommodate any number for breakfast, dinner and supper at the reasonable price of 25 cents each meal. Also special attention given to short orders at any time, day or night. ja 26 tf

Sewing Machines, Typewriters, Organs repaired. Will be in town for a few days only. Address J. B. Farrar, No. 9 South Eighth street. dec 30 tf

For Sale—Two turpentine stills in good working condition—one especially good. Cheap for cash. C. W. Worth, receiver. dec 13 tf

For Sale—Finest Berkshires. Three brood sows, two of them bred to farrow in March, two 7 months gilts, two 7 months boars, five sucking boar pigs, two boars 18 months old. Bargains in each lot till January 1st. L. L. Seller, Wilmington, N. C. dec 6 3 mos.

Wrapping Paper—For sale, several thousand Old Newspapers, all sizes, suitable for wrapping paper, and just the thing to put under carpets and matting. Will be sold at greatly reduced prices. Apply at the STAR office. oct 4 tf

Cabbage, Apples, Onions, Irish Potatoes, Eggs and all kinds of produce at A. S. Winstead's to-day, 113 Market street. Both 'Phones. sep 5 tf

Wrapping Paper—For sale, several thousand Old Newspapers, all sizes, suitable for wrapping paper, and just the thing to put under carpets and matting. Will be sold at greatly reduced prices. Apply at the STAR office. oct 4 tf

Offices for rent in The Worth Building—the most convenient business location in the city. Modern equipment. Apply to The Worth Co. feb 18 tf

Old newspapers, suitable for wrapping paper, for sale at reduced prices, in quantities. Apply at the office of THE MORNING STAR. jo 21 tf

Oxygen Hunger

The worst starvation is Oxygen hunger.

It is a disease when your blood is deficient in red corpuscles.

It ends in Consumption and death.

Its signs are weakness, loss of flesh, pale skin, transparent complexion, loss of ambition, and proneness to "catch cold."

The only cure is

Ozomulsion

It is a medicinal emulsion of cod liver oil, containing principles which vitalize and oxygenate the blood and thereby gives fresh life and energy to the tissues.

Ozomulsion is the good food, the easy food, the universal food, for all who are sick or in need of *strength*. To be had at all druggists. Try it.

In order that you may test the merits of Ozomulsion, send you name and full address to

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mentioning this paper, and a large sample free bottle will at once be sent you by mail prepaid.

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ARE YOUR LUNGS WORTH 50 Cts?

Why do you cough and hack, feel "all broke up" among your friends, and probably lose needed rest at night, when a dose of

Hall's Emulsion Petroleum Comp.,

With Benzoin, will give you almost immediate relief, and a bottle probably cure you completely? We get testimonials almost daily to the value of this remedy. 'Phone us and we will send you a bottle, and if after taking one bottle you should feel dissatisfied return empty bottle and we will refund your money cheerfully.

JAMES M. HALL,
PHARMACIST.
Cor. 5th and Castle Sts., Wilmington, N.C.
jan 24 tf.

New Attractions!

PICKLED PIGS PORK JUICY AND DELICIOUS.

All kinds of Fine Cheese, Imported and Domestic.

All kinds of Coffee—green, parched and ground—from importations of Chase & Sanbourn, E. J. Gillies & Co., Leggett and others.

Goods always fresh, the finest selections and the largest assortment.

WILMINGTON GROCERY CO.,
JNO. L. BOATWRIGHT, Manager.
'Phone No. 14. jan 24 tf

BUTTER AND CHEESE.

New stock at old prices. Fancy grades only.

HALL & PEARSALL,
INCORPORATED
jan 9 tf

EXTRA EARLY PEAS.

A large stock Extra Early Peas and other Seed on hand. Call or write and get my prices.

HARDIN'S
Palace Pharmacy,
126 South Front Street.
jan 20 tf Both 'Phones 55.

For Sale,

One fifteen barrel Turpentine Still, Cap, Arm and Worm complete, in good order.

SAM'L BEAR, SR., & SONS.,
Wholesale Grocers,
Wilmington, N. C.,
18 Market Street.
jan 8 D&W tf

Commissioner's Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Court of New Hanover county, in the case of Joseph Turner and Emma Turner vs. Wm. Field Turner and Richard Turner, the undersigned commissioner will sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash, on Thursday, the 3rd day of March, 1904, at the Court House door in the City of Wilmington, the following property: Beginning in the northern line of Campbell street 415½ feet west of the western line of Eighth street, runs thence west with the northern line of Campbell street 41½ feet; thence north parallel with Eighth street 66 feet; thence east parallel with Campbell street 41½ feet; thence south parallel with Eighth street 66 feet to the beginning, being part of Lot 5, Block 53.

T. E. BROWN,
Commissioner.
feb 2 30t

Rates for Sewer Service

Water Closets - - 50 cts per quarter, each
Kitchen Sinks - - 50 cts per quarter, each
Bath Tubs - - - - 50 cts per quarter, each
Fixed Wash Basins 25 cts per quarter, each
Fixed Laundry Tubs 50c per quarter, per set

We carry our pipes to your property line without charge, and rates do not go into effect until service is rendered.

The Wilmington Sewerage Co.
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OF NEW CRISP MERCHANDISE.

Price no Object

Sale Begins Wednesday, February 3rd, and Last Ten Days.

THE GRANDEST SALE EVER HAPPENED.

DON'T FORGET THE DATE,

We also name a few of our many Bargains below.

Lot No. 1—500 ladies' ready-to-wear hats, a 50c value, that will be sold in this big sale at the price. Only 10c.

Lot No. 3—Clothing, Boys' and Men's, all marked down.

Big Red Banners to cover our large store.

Men's kid gloves, silk lined; our $1 gloves to be sold in this sale at 69c per pair.

A large table cover, 35c value, this sale 15c.

A good wooden handle dipper. This sale 4c.

Wine glasses. This sale 18c per set.

A good broom to be sold at 12c.

Soap, 5 cakes for 4c.

Our regular 25c linen towels. This sale 19c.

Our store will be closed all day Tuesday, February 2nd, in order to arrange and mark down our entire stock.

500 dozen men's fleece lined shirts, 50c value. This sale, 38c.

Lot No. 2 — Mennen's Talcum Powder 10c, but only one box to a customer. Allen's Talcum Powder 4 cents.

Lot No. 4—We will sell all of our light calicoes in this big sale at 4½ cents.

Watch for our large hand bills.

5,000 yards of Batist at 10c value. This sale will go at 5 cents.

Here it is! Pretty Piquet, colored and white, at 12½c, value 9 cents.

Dotted Curtain Swiss, 15c value 9 cents.

1 lot of Buttons, 2c dozen. 1 lot of Basting Cotton, 1c yd.

Special—Half gallon Tin Buckets, 5 cents.

Our Shoe Department is marked away down. Don't miss those 69 Shoes, worth $3 and $2.50.

Think of this. No. 40 Satin Ribbon, big value, to be sold 9c yd.

Carpet and Matting Tacks. This sale 3 boxes for 5c.

A good Rolling Curtain for 9c

Watch and wait for our large hand bills.

IT WILL START ON FEBRUARY 3RD

AND END FEBRUARY 13TH,

and the place is the Big Racket Store

Geo. O. Gaylord,

jan 31 tf PROPRIETOR.

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An Expert Cutter

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Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 2nd, 3rd and 4th

with an attractive line of Spring samples representing a large assortment of up to-date foreign and domestic woollens, from which we shall be pleased to receive your orders, guaranteeing superior workmanship, faultless fit and very latest styles.

J. M. SOLKY & CO.,

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Women's Neckwear

Never before have we shown such complete assortment.

Stock Collars—and endless variety, including the Spangled and Beaded Net. The Windsor Bow and Renaissance Braids, for 25c, 39c, 48c, 69c and 75c, worth about one-quarter more.

Turn over Collars—one of this season's features. In sets made of such material as butchers linen, embroidered in rich Bulgarian and Slavonic color combinations. The 35c kinds 25c, the 50c kinds 39c.

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M. H. Curran,

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